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## Friends Put Heads Together

*By Jeff Kaliss*

If variety is the spice of life, then the Friends of Noe Valley's Town Hall forum on Oct. 3 was as lively as pumpkin pie. A crowd of some 80 folks gathered in the light and warmth of the Jersey Street library to hear about the history of the neighborhood group and help set priorities for the coming year.

A round of introductions which opened the meeting revealed State Sen. Milton Marks among the assembled. Marks declared himself to be "definitely a 'friend' of Noe Valley" and an avid reader of the *Voice*. Other notables included would-be supervisor Jonathan Bulkley and Mission Police Station Captain Victor Macia.

Friends member and lawyer David Neely reported on his efforts to establish a skateboard site that will get the kids off 24th Street and into Douglass Park. Neely noted that the citywide Friends of Recreation and Parks had already allocated $1,000 to his project, but that an acceptable design for the facility was still being sought. The project also must be considered and approved hy the city's Recreation and Park Department.

Captain Macia, a long-time supporter of the skateboard project and friend of the Friends in general, responded to questions about the absence of 24th Street's familiar foot patrolmen Mark Felber and Steve Mroz. Macia explained that the department's transfer of personpower to the Narcotics Division had resulted in the loss of nine officers and one whole beat from the Mission Station and the assignment of Felber and Mroz to a patrol car.

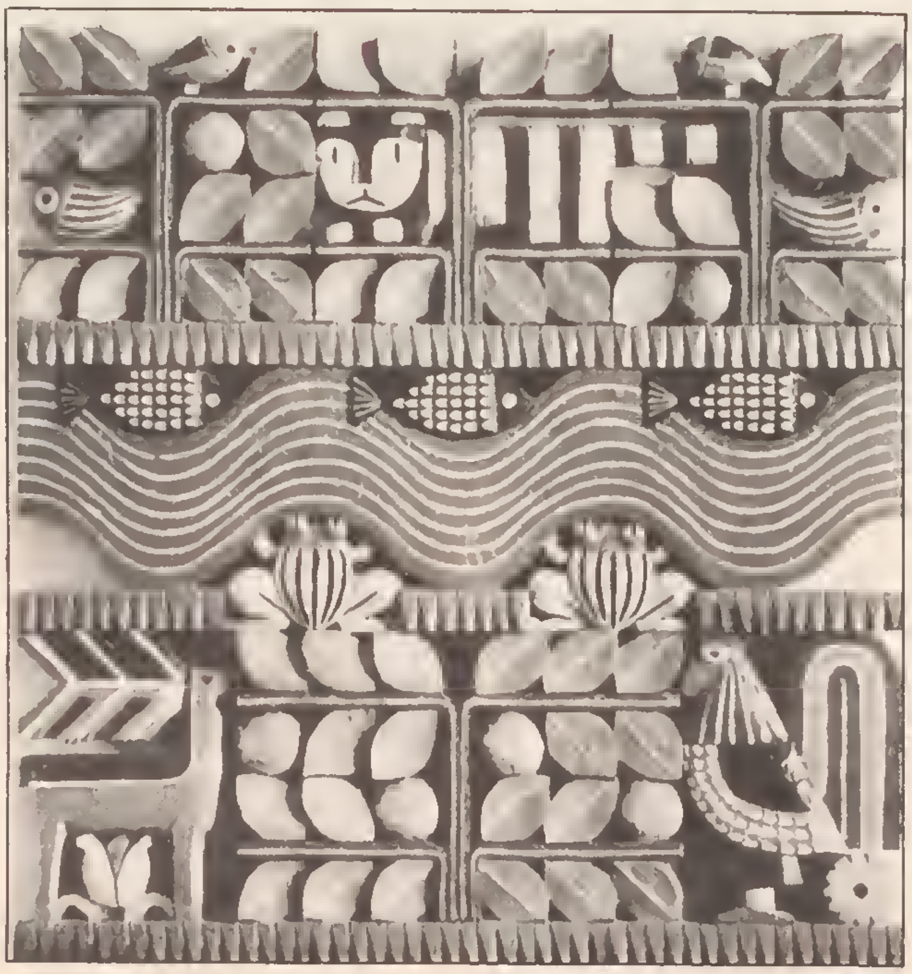
The public is still encouraged to contact the station at 553-1544 with concerns about the effect of the law on serious crimes (down 14 percent from last year) as well as on nuisances like illegally parked cars.

Concerns from the floor included the need for stop signs at dangerous intersections, the presence of commercial garbage on 24th Street, and the creation of mini-parks at several dead-ends off Noe Street.

Mark Cohen, former chair of the Friends' Planning Committee, urged revival of the group's watchdog activities on 24th Street, which he said established the Friends as "the most powerful among neighborhood groups" in the minds of City Hall and the planning commission. With input from the neighborhood, the city is presently in the process of revamping commercial zoning for 24th Street.

The selection of several committee chairs and a new slate of officers is on the agenda for the Friends' next meeting, the date of which is yet to be set. Inquiries about this and other matters may be directed to President Sonja Dale at 285-5289.

Pleased with last month's turnout, Treasurer Barbara Holman noted that the Friends are currently 260 members strong and financially "better than we've ever been." She added, "Now we need to sit down and decide what to do with the money." □



*A morning service celebrating the arts and an afternoon wine and cheese reception last month lifted off the 5th Annual Autumn Exhibition ot Gallery Sanchez, otherwise known as the upper floor of the Noe Valley Ministry. Included in the feast for the eyes were "The Room," a print by Sharron Evans (left), and a painted wood construction by Leszek Piatkowski. If you can't find the fish, cat, birds, deer ond frogs in this picture of Piatkowski's piece, come see it in living color at the Ministry, 1021 Sanchez St., before the exhibit closes Nov. 18.*

*Photos by Charles Kennard*

## Election '84: Fiscal Issues Highlight Local Ballot

*By Skye Fackre Gibson*

The "clear choice" between Democrats and Republicans has fueled voter registration drives this year, so the polls promise to be crowded Nov. 6. But those not compelled by the Presidential furor may be there also, voting their preferences on the 10 city propositions which share the ballot.

Bonds, benefits, water, health, taxes and South Africa are packed into a political grah bag of policy decisions and citizen initiatives. As always, money—and how to spend it—is at the bottom of the bag.

Propositions A and B are revenue bond issues aimed at improving the city waterfront and city water, respectively. Prop. A is a petition by the San Francisco Port Commission to sell bonds for up to $42.5 million to upgrade the commercial waterfront. The bulk of the money, $38 million, is earmarked for state-of-the-art improvements to operations in the Hunters Point area. These include converting Pier 80 into a modern container facility and modernizing the cargo operations at Piers 94 and 96. The balance, some $4 million, will expand the Pier 35 passenger terminal and build a new seawall and breakwater at Fisherman's Wharf to protect the fishing fleet. Prop. A bonds will be repaid from Port revenues.

Both the mayor and board of supervisors support the proposition, with the exception of Quentin Kopp. Supervisor Kopp says the $42.5 million is $9 million too much and that the measure was

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*— Who's That Knocking at My Door? —*

## The Ins & Outs of Canvassing

*By Karen Gibbens*

Just a few short months ago, I was one of those dreaded people. One of those who came knocking on your door just when you were ready to eat dinner, take a shower, put the kids to bed or watch your favorite TV show. I was a canvasser.

The Bay Area bustles with canvass groups, and Noe Valley is one of their prime targets. As a community resident, I understand how it feels to be bombarded with information about causes I rarely think about. However, as a canvasser, I also know what it's like to have doors slammed in my face, dogs chase me down the street, and people feign interest only to say, "No thanks, honey, hut good luck!"

A typical night out with the canvass began with coffee at La Boheme. Here, the crew had time to socialize, strategize and psyche up for the night ahead. Our director frequently told us, "It's a numbers game—the more houses you approach, the more money you'll bring in." Maybe. But in my short career as a canvasser, I learned to "burn turf," that is, skip the obvious non-supporters in favor of houses which appeared to hold domesticated liberals. (I was on the prowl for N.O.W., the National Organization for Women.)

But how can the average canvasser-about-town distinguish between the bleeding hearts and "fiscally conservative" among us? Some signs are obvious. For instance, a canvasser should avoid all houses with signs reading, "Ferocious Dog Kills on Command." (No, I don't know where you buy them.) Compared to these, the "No Solicitors" signs seem like mere trivialities. In fact, one person on our crew dared to ring the bell of a house plastered with the "Don't Solicit" signs, and she still managed to attract interest! I never had the nerve to check this out myself. Instead, I frequented the homes which had "Peace to All Who Enter Here" signs. At least I felt relatively safe there.

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# Letters

## The Acme's Back

EDITOR:

A few weeks ago I sent a letter to you about the Acme Cafe. I was upset that the restaurant had removed my favorite little section up front and hired a new kitchen manager who was supposed to make the menu "better" (more expensive?). They took all my favorite dishes off the menu and raised the dinner prices. I went there with some friends and was informed at every turn that the kitchen was out of nearly everything.

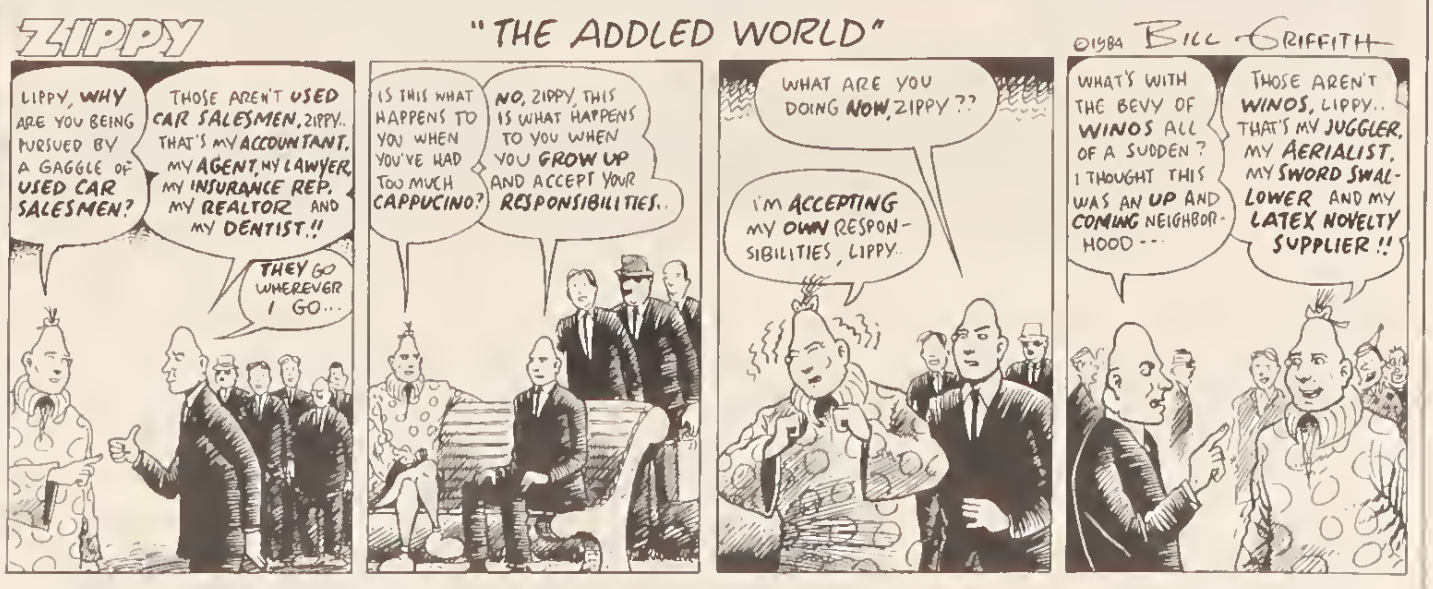
The waitresses there told me they were making one-third what they used to make in tips. Something was wrong. What had happened to the old, funky Acme we all knew and loved? I was afraid it had gone the way of other places that spend too much on decor and not enough on good food.

Last week I was wandering by, and one of the cooks called out to me and asked why I hadn't been there in a while. (I used to be a regular.) I told him all my gripes as noted above. He told me they had hired that kitchen manager and reinstated many old favorites on the menu. Some of the prices had actually gone down! (Amazing!!)

Happily, my old letter was not printed. Thank you, Acme Cafe, for surviving your identity crisis and deciding you don't need to be another of the overpriced, under-par cafes that seem to be popping up all around us.

Noe Valley residents, take note. The Acme is back! Go check it out.

Lane Arye
(just a Noe Valley boy!)
27th Street




## Noe Valley No Place for Kids?

EDITOR:

We were a family once in Noe Valley. Then we moved to Maine to get connected to the relatives. I think that was one of our mistakes, to think that we could slip back in Noe without any problem. So we came back optimistically thinking we would look for housing in Noe Valley. Boy were we wrong!

Everyone knows what applications are like, tell them your life history, then maybe they'll call you. As soon as they asked how many people, and I would say four—two adults, two kids, no pets—forget it! Usually the answer would be cold: "Oh, the place is too small," "Absolutely not!" And we were looking for a two-bedroom up to $900! And how do they know what's too small for us anyway! We were coming back from Maine with nothing but our beds and clothes! So we were very disappointed to not get to live in Noe Valley again. But don't worry. I have no hard feelings, I still shop there, play there, and wish we could have lived there once again.

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gens and other small foreign cars. I often had good luck with their owners and will always feel a certain fondness for the VW. Bumper stickers are also a real giveaway.

Cadillacs, on the other hand, didn't "play well." That is, in general, the Cadillac owner paid little attention to progressive causes. Liberal canvassers should be alerted whenever they spot a Cadillac in a driveway.

Overgrown grass and lawnless homes should ring out the opposite signal. A possible supporter! The theory here? A hard-working liberal has little time for lawn care; this person is more interested in people care.

Another hot tip—slightly peeling paint. The canvasser for liberal causes should beware of the perfectly painted home with clean stairs and matching ceramic ducks. But the house in slight disrepair—now, there's a real find.

As we all know, doors and windows are our passages to the outside world. Who are the people who leave them open (at least in the summertime)? That's right. The people who accept and embrace the outside world. Liberals! Watch out for tightly shut homes with doors, windows and shades closed. I found that these people either weren't home or they didn't want to be bothered.

Okay, enough on the canvasser's end. What about us residents? How can we begin to cope with the canvassers bombarding us? And will the stream of clipboards end when the election booths close?

Coping with canvassers can be a struggle. Sometimes, their torrent of verbal and emotional expression tempts us to hide under the kitchen table. Canvassers often nag us just at the place and time when we least want it. So what do we do?

First of all, and I know that this is hard, try to muster up some empathy. This person on your doorstep really believes in a cause and discusses it with about 50 people a night. Most grassroots causes don't have corporate financiers; they depend on individuals to donate time and money for their existence. Imagine climbing 50 staircases a night and still being able to carry on a coherent and convincing conversation at the top. It's not easy.

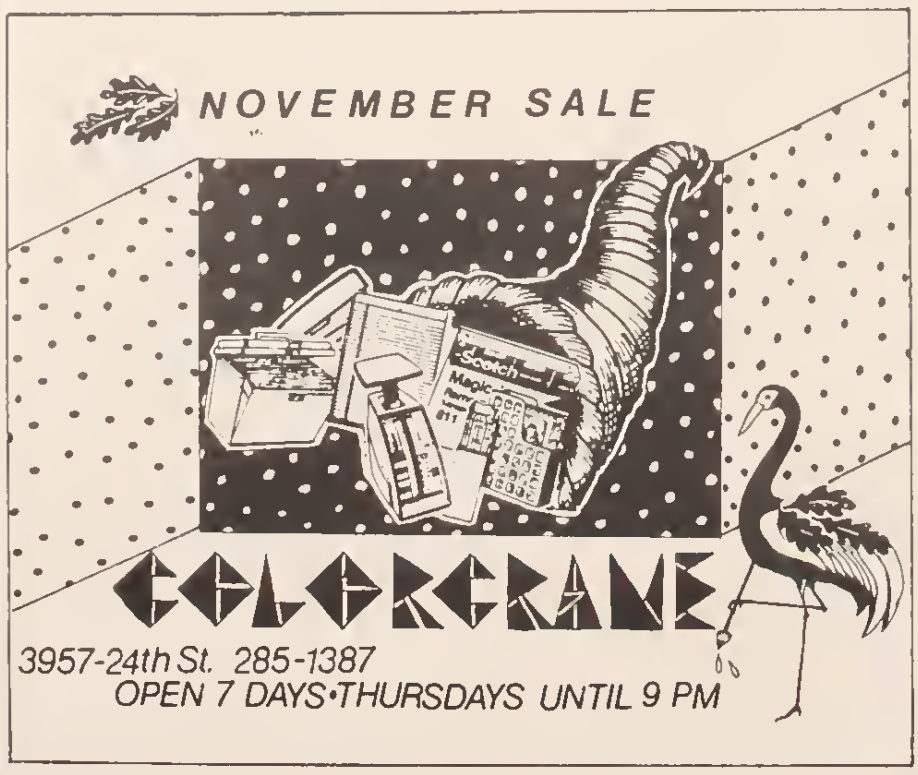
But let's say that you really don't agree with this canvasser's viewpoint, you really don't want to discuss the issue, or you couldn't find the "Ferocious Dog" sign. You may feel tempted to slam the door in the person's face or apologize for your beliefs, but you needn't do either. Simply state, "I'm not interested," in a clear, direct voice. If the canvasser tries to continue anyway, repeat your initial response. This may feel strange at first, but it works. A second negative response does double-duty, and repetition solidifies the feeling. And you'll save both time and energy if you say it as early in the conversation as possible.

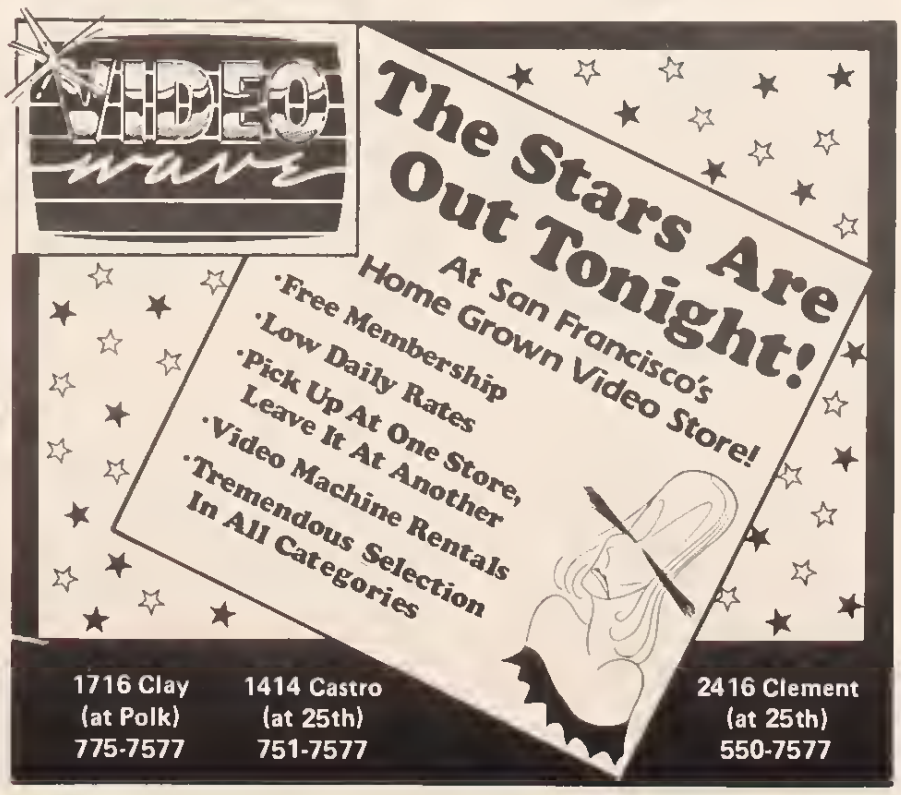
You may believe in the cause, but don't feel you trust the canvasser. After all, you never know who might show up at your doorstep. Feel free to ask for identification and for a phone number to call to verify the individual's status. In some areas, all solicitors must carry permits, and some canvass groups have them regardless of the area.

Basically, my advice to residents can be summed up in the old adage that honesty truly is the best policy. Canvassers shudder at the phrase, "Um, I'm busy now. I'm on the phone—long distance!" One of our crew members heard this excuse one minute and heard the phone ring the next.

Another popular excuse was, "I really don't have time to talk now, honey. Maybe another time." This one became interesting when I attempted to pin down just when "the right time" would be. Noe Valley people are apparently booked up for months ahead.

The good news for residents is that some canvass groups will close down after the Nov. 6 election. However, if the current President remains in power, progressive causes will be looking for even more support. Don't be surprised if, come January, that doorbell starts buzzing on a weekly basis. But no problem, you can handle it. □



# Kicking Coke: One Way on Liberty St.

*By Dave Knepler*

"No one thinks cocaine is addictive. Almost everybody gets involved with cocaine in socially acceptable, very positive situations. Right off the bat it's a reinforcement."

Those are the words of Alan Meyers, M.A., vice president and therapist at the National Addiction Research Foundation (NARF), a private non-profit outpatient center for cocaine abusers, located on Liberty Street.

Meyers and his associates, Susanna Meyers, M.A., and NARF President James House, Ph.D., have treated thousands of cocaine abusers over the course of their counseling careers. Their successes and expertise led them to create NARF, where they conduct what they consider to be a unique treatment program.

"A lot of programs for cocaine abusers around the country are residential hospital-based treatment programs," Meyers said. "People seeking help can't afford to move into a hospital for four weeks, nor do they necessarily want to.

"We offer an alternative—we're an outpatient program. And our treatment program works because the patients do it all themselves. They take total responsibility for their problem and take responsibility for curing themselves."

Cocaine abusers come to NARF usually through referrals or after hearing a public service announcement describing NARF's services. Meyers describes the typical client as "between the ages of 21 and 40, white, intelligent, articulate, and employed with a good job." But by the time they decide to seek help, "often they're afraid that they are setting themselves up to lose that job." More than half of NARF's clients are women.

When the program begins, the patient is placed on a five-day strict natural diet—no meat, no fish, no chicken, no brown drinks (coffee, soft drinks, etc.), no salt, no pepper, "no stimulating foods of any kind." The diet, in addition to serving as a detoxifier, "is a behavior modification tool. Deny yourself something—add a little character," said Meyers.

An exercise program is also initiated during this five-day period. "I always encourage women to lift weights," said Meyers. A cocaine abuser is an "immediate gratification-oriented person; if you lift weights, in two weeks you start seeing positive results." Meyers discourages aerobic exercising during this period, citing the need for abusers, who have most likely had demands placed on their cardiovascular system because of their cocaine use, "to go slow rather than go gung-ho and risk injury.

"Everything we do adds discipline."

Subsequent sessions monitor how the patient is gaining or regaining control of his or her life. Meyers and the other staff members provide strong psychological support, often meeting with family members, friends and loved ones to relieve them also of the strains that they have been placed under.

In many instances it is these "significant others" who make the first move in contacting NARF, out of care and love for their self-destructing friends. Meyers told the story of "Rachel," whose boyfriend "told her he was taking her out to dinner in San Francisco and took her to see me instead. She was livid."

Now, said Meyers, "after 10 weeks of no cocaine, her life is totally together. She has a new job, looks great, feels great, has a new life and feels like a million dollars. She thanks God that her boyfriend did what he did."

Rachel, 35, self-described as a "responsible person working the same job for 7½ years," had grown dependent on cocaine soon after she was introduced to it. "I went from a recreational user to binging in less than two months," she said, spending $1,300 at Christmastime alone to get her through a particularly stressful period. "The drug was in control of me for one year. All of a sudden things started backfiring on me, quite hellish." Her interpersonal relationships suffered as she retreated more and more to the privacy of her room. "I just didn't seem to care. Everything was replaced by the constant desire for the drug."

Periodically, she would seek help. But the cocaine treatment centers that she found listed in the Yellow Pages provided no relief. She sat at Kaiser Hospital for two hours waiting for a counselor to see her. Other agencies placed her on a three-week waiting list. This too was inadequate. "If you can't get help when you need it, you might not have anything left three weeks down the line," she said.

She survived a trip to Hong Kong without cocaine, but upon her return to the Bay Area discovered "there was more to it than just quitting." That is when her boyfriend interceded and brought her to NARF, where there was no "waiting list." From Meyers, that evening, she received the "immediate attention" she felt she needed.

Sessions were twice a week initially, then became once a week after the first month. "The first few sessions dealt with me, then the support people around me," she remembered. Her family and boyfriend remained strongly behind her.

Her 14-year-old daughter came in also for a meeting with Meyers. "She admitted she knew something was going on," said Rachel, although not specifically the cocaine abuse. Rachel wasn't buying food regularly, and was neglecting her daughter's educational needs. "We didn't have any communication. She became more aware during counseling. Now our relationship is better than ever."

In retrospect, Rachel liked NARF's "whole approach" and felt that the $60 she paid per session was well spent and "less money than I used for cocaine."

One item that comes free with the treatment is Health Inca Tea, made from decocanized coca leaves. The tea is imported from Peru by what Meyers refers to as "a social-minded group of people" in New York, and is sent to NARF. "We're the only ones doing research with the tea," said Meyers. The clients use the tea as a substitute for coffee and have commented that they keep "on an even keel instead of having erratic energy" throughout the day and "feel 'up' without coffee-related symptoms."

NARF also sponsors the California Cocaine Hotline. The hotline fields 20 calls a day, ranging from abusers seeking immediate help (Meyers recommends valerian root tea as a depressant) to family members wondering what they can do to aid an out-of-control loved one.

The hotline has gotten calls from all over California and as far away as Hawaii and Connecticut. NARF, operating on private funding, is "looking for donations of any kind which will go specifically to fund the hotline." Meyers says NARF needs an "800" phone number, statewide advertising and billboards, and a computer to coordinate all the referral information that the hotline provides.

Meyers is sorry to predict that cocaine abuse may worsen in the days ahead. "We're only seeing the tip of the iceberg now." A bumper crop of cocaine throughout South America and Brazil's recent entry into the cocaine market will drive prices down and abuse up, he believes.

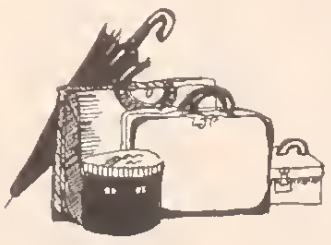
If Meyers' prognosis is correct, people will most likely double their dosage. Instead of buying their usual dose, users will buy twice as much at reduced prices, spending their customary amount.

At that point, cocaine may well be within the price range of more teenagers. Meyers thinks the government should take immediate steps to educate American youth, and the general public on the whole, before the crisis spreads further.

*NARF is located at 50 Liberty St. in San Francisco. The phone number for NARF as well as the California Cocaine Hotline is (415) 641-5533. Federal confidentiality regulations protecting the privacy of the caller are observed.* □

Photo by Tom Wachs

*Alan Meyers, cocaine abuse counselor for the National Addiction Research Foundation (NARF), has spent the past five years investigating the drug and its effects. The wall photos are from his year of conducting cocaine research for the Peruvian government.*



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# Repairs Force Cultural Center To Improvise

*By Suzanne Scott*

Mission Cultural Center (MCC) closed its doors at the end of September to do major renovations which will bring the building up to code and provide a bigger and better performing arts space. The renovation work started Nov. 1 and will continue for the next 14 months.

MCC has been located at Mission and 25th Streets for eight years. Over 3,500 people visit the center each month to take music, dance and art classes. Two years ago the artists at MCC had to reduce their performing arts productions and gallery exhibits because the fire department restricted building occupancy to 49 until structural work was completed. "We had been violating the law for some time," admits Executive Director Oscar Maciel, who's glad the repair work is finally under way.

A year ago the San Francisco Art Commission provided $141,000 for a new sprinkler system in the city-owned building. Additional fire-proofing measures include installation of emergency lighting, smoke detectors and new stairways to facilitate emergency exits.

MCC also received a half million dollars from the city's budget surplus for major reconstruction of the first floor of the building. "The first floor will be dedicated to the performing arts," says Maciel. There will be a new auditorium, dressing rooms, an elevator and a renovated art gallery.

In the meantime, what happens to the samba, capoeira, flamenco, ballet, salsa and Afro-Caribbean percussion classes which are usually taught at MCC? Maciel, his staff of six, and the center's artists-in-residence will continue about 40 percent of their services at two interim locations. The administrative office will be at 454 Shotwell St. Mision Grafica, which provides textile printing, low-cost silkscreening and free graphic art classes, will also have its temporary headquarters at the Shotwell address. Film and video production classes will continue there as well.

Photo by Tom Walters

*Although the Mission Cultural Center on Mission Street is temporarily closed, the dancing continues at two interim locations. MCC instructor Heidi McLean (second from right) teaches Mexican folk dance at the Capp Street Mission Neighborhood Center.*

Other programs will be conducted at 362 Capp St. in the Mission Neighborhood Center's auditorium. However, there simply is not enough room at the two new locations to accommodate all of MCC's classes. A number of the special dance classes have been farmed out to other community centers.

"We made some priorities based on need for services," says Maciel. "The first priority was assigned to artists-in-residence. One way or another they are funded by the National Endowment for the Arts, California Arts Council, or MCC, so they can offer free services."

He and his staff are trying to rent another space for more classes, but he says the high rent and insecurity make that difficult. Many times classes get started, student interest drops off, and MCC is left with the bill. "It's a risky situation," says Maciel, "especially in our financial condition."

MCC's regular funding comes from a variety of sources, including San Francisco's hotel tax fund, the California Arts Council, the National Endowment for the Arts, Columbia Foundation, San Francisco Foundation, Zellerbach, and Atlantic-Richfield. Membership fees ($3), space rental, work done at Mision Grafica, and other services provide one-third of the budget.

"This transition will be a real test for us," says Maciel. "We have to generate an additional 15 percent of revenue." To do this, Mision Grafica and MCC's in-house production service will have to drum up more business and perhaps increase prices, which are currently on a sliding scale.

Frustrated artists and dancers can still contact the MCC staff at the same address and phone number (2868 Mission St., 821-1155). Because of the move, the production of MCC's quarterly calendar has been delayed. Maciel says the listing of classes and other activities will be mailed out once they get settled in their Shotwell Street quarters.

Maciel is looking forward to the renovations, but he knows the next year will be difficult. "It's sad to leave our site," he says. "But we will be able to serve the community better in the future." □

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*— Friends Outside —*

# A Little Help After Prison

*By Laura Castleberry*

For 15 years the San Francisco Chapter of Friends Outside at 140 Church St. has worked with people many of us would prefer not to think about—ex-prisoners and their families. By providing job and housing referrals, clothing, childcare, counseling services, and a printing training program, Friends Outside helps former inmates, who are often handicapped by a severe social stigma, to become productive members of society.

In 1969, when Louise Enberg founded the San Francisco chapter of Friends Outside, it was a real grassroots operation. She and a small group of friends began by visiting jails and families of inmates. But what was at first a loosely structured, all-volunteer organization has since evolved into a multi-service agency with a permanent staff of eight.

Diana Conti, executive director of Friends Outside, is the newest addition to the staff. She brings over nine years of experience in the criminal justice system to her role as chief administrator. She was drawn to Friends because in her view it "gets at the root cause [of crime] and creates attitudinal changes" in people.

"I want people to know it's a crime prevention agency. The two main deterrents to recidivism are a stable family life and employment. We address both of these," said Conti.

She thinks "it's just common sense" to support a program like Friends Outside. "It costs the taxpayers $20,000 a year to keep someone in jail versus $1,500 a year to find someone a job."

Contrary to what most people believe, she says, only a small minority of the people in prison are hardcore criminals. Ninety-two percent of the women in prison are there for economic crimes—welfare fraud and petty theft. According to Conti, "it's not that hard to turn their lives around once they're given a chance."

At Friends Outside, that chance comes in the form of an impressive array of programs and services. "An ex-offender's first stop once released is Client Services," says coordinator Philmore Steele. This program provides counseling on basic survival skills, referrals for housing and food, and a voucher allowing ex-inmates to get clothing for themselves and their families at the Friends Outside Thrift Store, 138 Church St. A Muni Fast Pass and Christmas boxes are also offered, along with van service to the San Bruno County Jail. (Without this service, many families without cars would be unable to visit their relatives in jail, since there is no public transportation to the San Bruno facility.)

Seven years ago, with the cooperation of St. Francis Lutheran Church, Friends opened the St. Francis Childcare Center, which reserves 36 spaces for children of inmates and ex-offenders. The center tries to provide an educational "head start" as well as a nurturing environment for these children, who often suffer from low self-esteem.

In January 1978, the Reprographics Training Program (RTP) was begun for low-income, unemployed youth and ex-offenders who wished to acquire skills in the printing field. The program's director, David Mathieson, says reprographics was chosen "because one can learn it in a relatively short time, employment opportunities in the printing industry are numerous, and Mission Community College agreed to provide the place, the equipment and the instructors." Over the past six years, RTP has trained more than 400 people and placed 75 percent of the program's graduates in jobs.

Those not seeking work in the printing trade can find help in Friends' Ex-offender Employment Program (EEP). Clients receive re-entry counseling and classes in job search skills, resume-writing and interview techniques. EEP has helped an estimated 8,000 ex-offenders to find jobs.

Billie, an ex-member of the EEP's Job Finders Club, had strong praise for the service agency. "I had no family, no friends, no money and nowhere to go. The people at Friends Outside treated me like a personal friend and made me, Billie, feel like I was somebody—like I could do it. You have to want to do it, but they will give you the guidance and point you in the right direction. I owe them a lot."

Billie is now employed as a receptionist with a major corporation and is taking computer classes five evenings a week at City College.

Director Conti is quick to point out that Friends Outside is not a giveaway program. Each person who comes in the door is screened carefully, and those looking for a handout and not seriously interested in making a change are turned away.

But like many non-profit agencies, Friends Outside faces a constant battle to secure adequate funding. This fall Conti learned that Friends was in danger of losing the Ex-offender Employment Program due to government cutbacks. In anticipation of hard times to come, she is planning to seek new funding sources in the business community and donations from private individuals.

Conti's goals for the future, provided funds are forthcoming, are to expand family counseling services and to begin in-prison counseling prior to an inmate's release. She is also enthusiastic about one of Friends Outside's newest projects: a special summer camp for children of inmates and ex-offenders.

Those wishing to make a tax-deductible contribution, sponsor a child for camp, volunteer their services or make a donation of clothing can call Friends Outside at 863-5100.

Like Conti says, "It's just common sense" to be a friend outside. □

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*Diana Conti, new executive director of Friends Outside, describes the program as a crime prevention agency: "We address the two main deterrents to recidivism—a stable family life and employment."*


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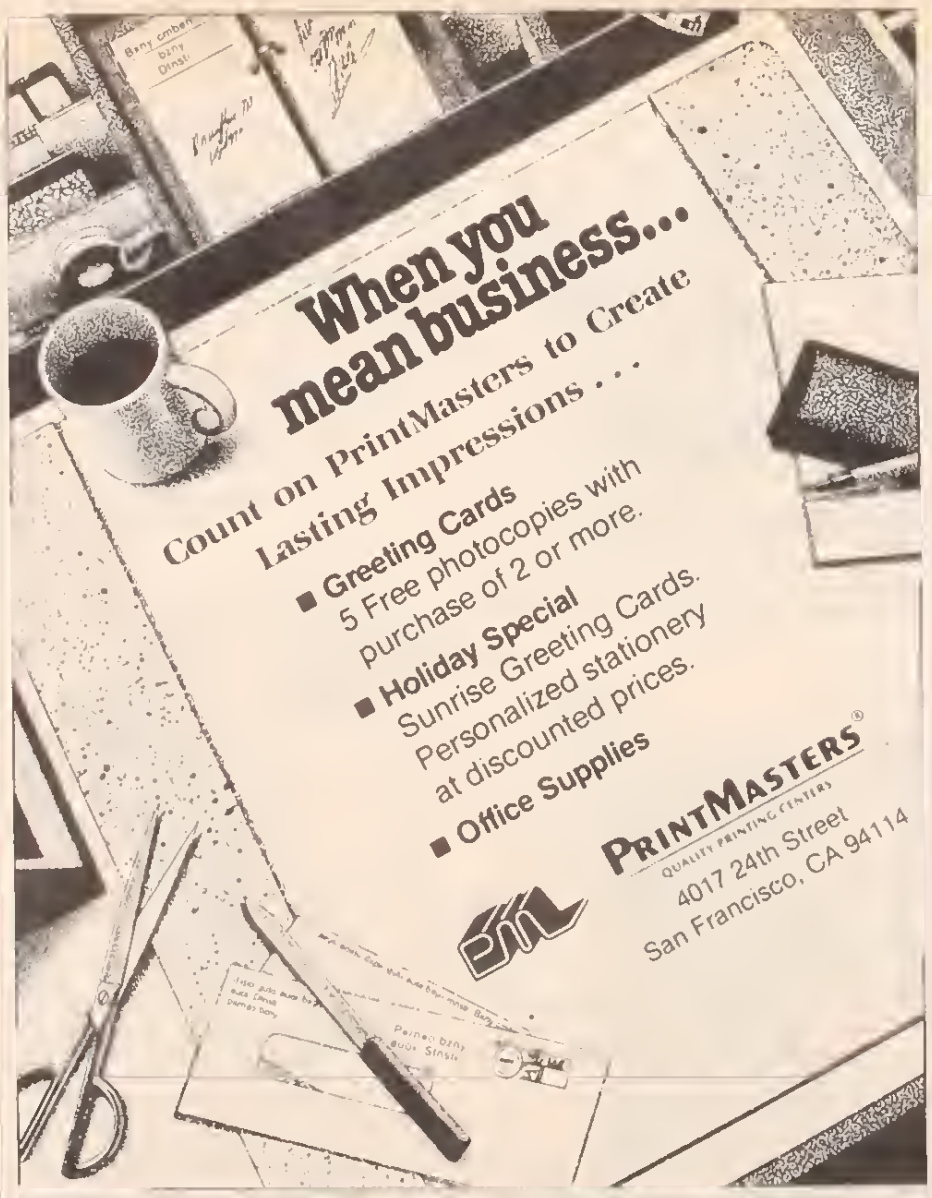


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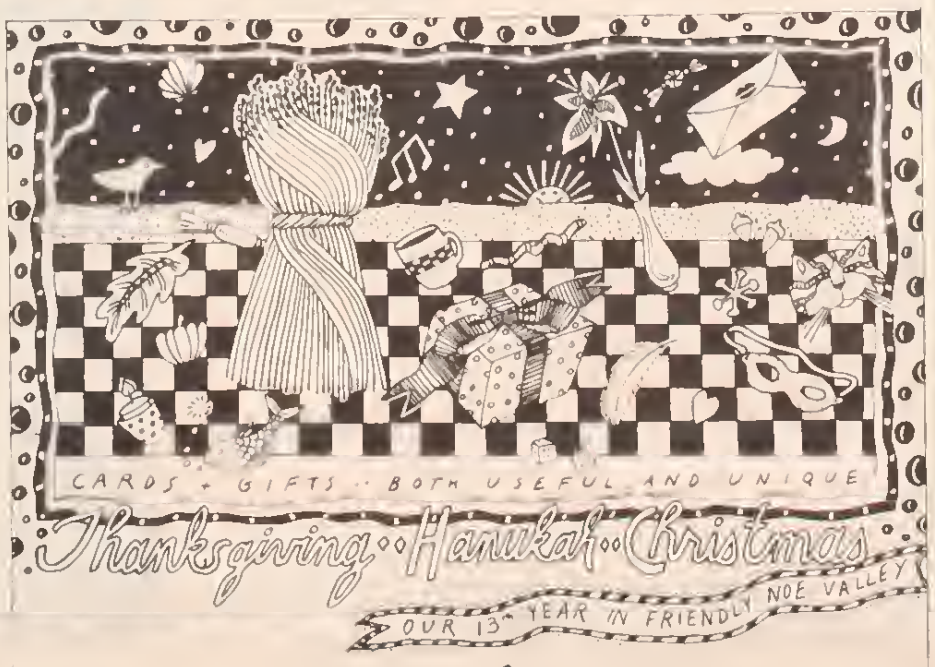


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# SHORT TAKES

## Adult Day Care

It's not easy being the caregivers for physically or mentally impaired adults. It can be so difficult, in fact, that many families and friends feel they have no choice but to place the elderly adult in a nursing home.

Now there is an alternative: adult "day care." And it's available locally—at San Francisco Home Health Service, 225 30th St. near Chenery.

Conducted by an umbrella organization called VNA of San Francisco, the six-month-old health care program makes it possible for frail, ill, physically or mentally impaired adults—mostly seniors—to attend a daily schedule of activities at the center and remain living at home.

A bilingual staff, including a nurse, social worker, recreation counselor and therapists, offer music instruction, health and personal care classes, weekly swimming at the Recreation Center for the Handicapped, and special trips like the one last month to see pumpkins at Half Moon Bay.

The center has room for more participants, so to learn more, contact Maxine Mallouf at 285-5615.

## Retour de Force

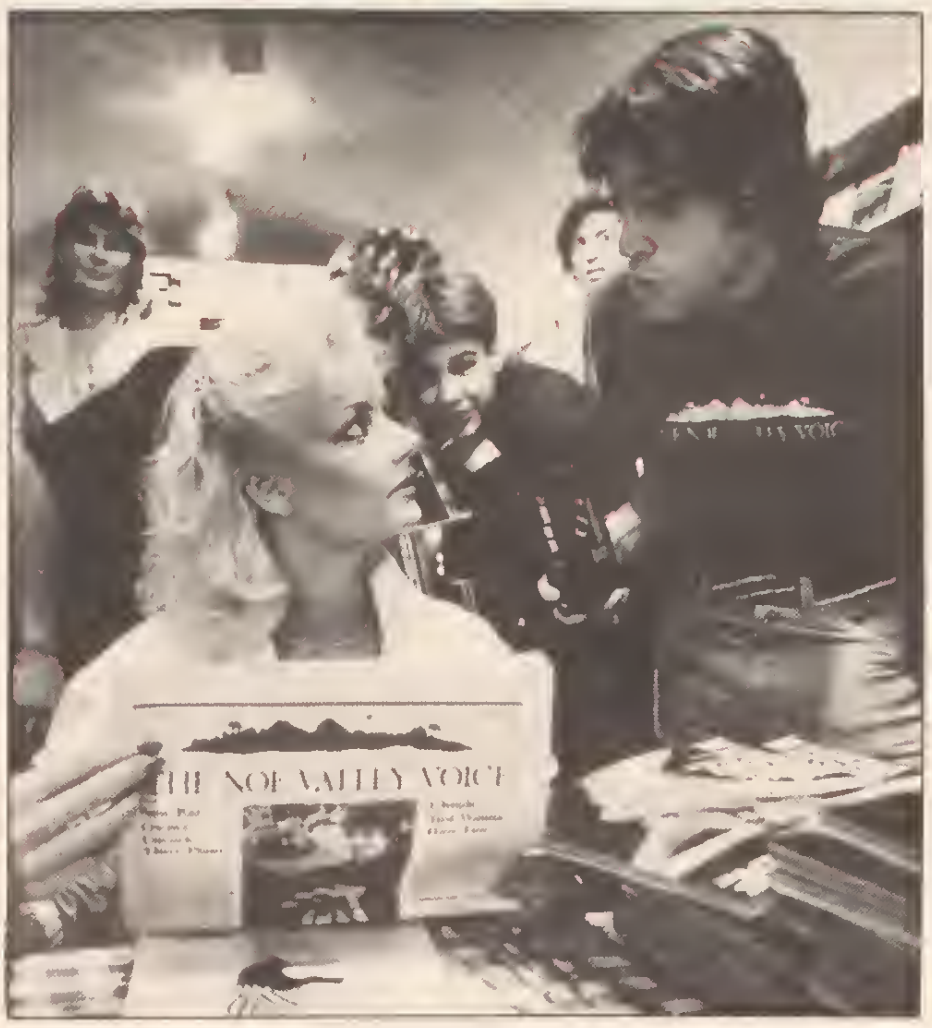
Noe Valley can count Tour de Force among its ranks again, as the theater group returns to the neighborhood to rehearse, audition, and do staged readings out of the Noe Valley Ministry.

The group, which performed its last show at the Ministry in August 1983 with "Blood Relations" by Sharon Pollock, is now soliciting new scripts and will hold auditions for all roles.

For information on future auditions and performances, stop by the Tour de Force office at the Ministry, 1021 Sanchez St.

## Memorial Movie

"The Times of Harvey Milk" is a feature-length documentary which traces the political career of the gay supervisor from his campaign for office to his assassination six years ago. Locally produced, the film opens Nov. 1 with a gala premiere at the Castro Theater and moves on to an open-ended run at the Lumiere. Call the Castro at 621-6120 for details.

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Penthouse *magazine's Pet of the Year, Jeanette Starion, confronted erstwhile* Voice *reporter Dave Knepler during an autograph session Oct. 15 at News on 24th. Although Knepler was unsuccessful in an attempt to lure the 20-year-old Dane to a* Voice *photography workshop later that evening at Elisa's Health Spa, he did discover that Noe Valley was her first stop in San Francisco. The winner of* Penthouse's *$1 million pet contest is on a U.S. and Canadian tour after having been crowned in Atlantic City earlier this year.*

## Great Gray Chef

Gray Panther and neighborhood activist Miriam Blaustein has caused quite a few stews to simmer over hot issues like commercial zoning, but you'll now have an opportunity to eat her words. Blaustein and colleagues will be at Gibraltar Savings, 4040 24th St. on Nov. 17 preparing the cheese soup and spinach squares recipes from the Gray Panthers' new cookbook, *Cheap and Nutritious—and Delicious*. The book is designed "to show seniors that good food can be both cheap and fun," says co-author Blaustein. Cost- and health-conscious chefs of all ages can attend the demonstration from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and order the cookbook from the Panthers by phoning 552-8800.

## Women's Ware

The Winter Women's Arts and Crafts Fair continues its six-year tradition of food, fun and fine merchandise on the weekends of Dec. 1–2 and 8–9. Just in time for the holidays, the fair will fill the Women's Building, 3543 18th St., with an eclectic collection of homemade jewelry, toys, prints, pottery, musical instruments, leather goods and you name it. Childcare will be provided, and you can find out more from Rawna Romero at 431-1180.

## Older Folks & Friends

Courses in square dancing, dressmaking, and exercise and relaxation are currently being offered for older adults at the Mission YMCA Senior Center, 4080 Mission St. Call Stephanie Feingold at 586-6900 for info.

And if you'd like to help take care of home-bound seniors, check out the free classes at John Adams Community College Center, 1860 Hayes St., in client care, gerontology, nutrition, food preparation and decision-making. After training you may pursue employment on your own or through agencies. You'll need to be pre-tested for this program, so call LaVerne Reiterman or Pat Bozin at 346-7044 to sign up.


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rushed through without sufficient testimony.

The hot topic of water turns a less controversial bend in Prop. B, a measure to expand and purify San Francisco's drinking water supply. The proposition would allow the Public Utilities Commission to sell up to $104 million in revenue bonds to build a filtering plant at the Crystal Springs reservoir. Most of our drinking water comes from the Sierra, but Crystal Springs, muddied by rain during 1981–83 and currently without any filtration system, supplies a large share of the city's reserve water. This emergency water supply is tapped when mountain streams are interrupted or reduced

The bonds will be repaid from water department revenues and should not cost the taxpayers anything.

Prop. C would amend the city's 1932 charter to create a seven-member health commission to oversee the S.F. Health Department and hire and fire its director. This measure concerns the issue of accountability and/or immunity for public officials and was brought to the fore last January when a state audit contended that San Francisco General Hospital was deficient in its care and record-keeping.

Proponents of Prop. C say that a health commission would review basic critical health care decisions, ensuring that the officials who make those decisions are publicly accountable. The commission members would be appointed by the mayor for staggered four-year terms, none to serve more than two consecutively, and each member paid $100 a month. No more than three members would be health care providers.

Opponents say that a commission would be vulnerable to politics by its selection and that the city charter keeps the chief administrative officer, who now runs the health department and holds a fixed, 10-year term, immune from politics.

The board of supervisors approved Prop. C by a vote of 8–3, with Richard Hongisto, Wendy Nelder and Kopp opposed.

Though twice defeated in 1982, Proposition E is back on the ballot. Worded identically as last time, the measure would transfer health benefits to the surviving spouse of a deceased city employee. Benefit amounts would not change and would affect some 1,350 people and cost $990,000 a year. Now, survivors get nothing for health care.

The city's political leaders were shocked and puzzled by the proposition's defeat two years ago, although the margins were small. They're hoping that compassion—a major campaign theme for Democrats—and a large voter turnout will make the difference this time.

A similar measure, Prop. F, would enable the surviving spouse of a city employee who dies violently, or within 180 days of a violent injury, to receive up to 18 months of the employee's pay, plus retirement compensation. Both Props E and F have the supervisors' unanimous support.

For those who are new in blue, the police probationary period is now one year. Academy training accounts for eight months of this time, leaving only four months for on-the-street evaluation of recruits. Prop. G would extend the probation to 20 months to allow one year for street training.

Two wheels anytime will get you more under Proposition H. The city charter states that police officers assigned to *traffic* duty on motorcycles shall get bonus pay for the extra dangers involved in riding them. Prop. H would simply drop the word "traffic" to compensate officers on two wheels for other reasons.

The supervisors were more divided on Proposition D than on any other ballot measure they submitted. D would let the city's retirement board set its own standards for investing its funds. Current city regulations require that public pension funds must be consistent with insurance investment policies. Supporters of Prop. D argue that insurance investment practices are not germane to the administration of a public pension plan and that they limit the range of investment opportunities by designating specific areas of investment.

Those opposed, including the city employee union, S.E.I.U. Local 390/400, contend that there should be more discussion and reflection before a change is made. They say the measure would leave pension investment standards subject only to the federal Employee Retirement Income Security Act, thereby allowing too much room for interpretation by the political party in power.

On this issue, the supervisors were split 6–5, with Harry Britt, Willie Kennedy, John Molinari, Louise Renne and Nelder dissenting.

Prop. J is an initiative sponsored by supervisorial candidate Julianne Malveaux and and supported by S.E.I.U. locals, the Rainbow Coalition, the Harvey Milk Lesbian and Gay Democratic Club, and a number of progressive religious and political organizations. The initiative is a declaration of policy, stating that San Francisco will not invest city employee pension funds with those firms that do business in South Africa until apartheid is abolished

And, finally, there's Proposition I, the "tax choice" initiative sponsored by the Humanist Party, the political arm of the Community for Peace and Human Development, a social action group with an office on Church Street in Noe Valley.

Prop. I makes three stipulations: that the board of supervisors call upon the federal government to allow taxpayers to declare on their tax returns whether or not they want their taxes used for "excessive military expenditures," including nuclear weapons and biological warfare; that the city itemize and report where federal taxes from San Francisco go—how much for defense spending and how much for social needs; and that the supervisors create a seven-member committee to evaluate the city's report

And that's not all, folks. There are 16 state propositions, numbers 25–41, cohabiting the ballot. For the finer points of both the state and city questions, consult your voter's pamphlets. You *are* registered, of course. . . □

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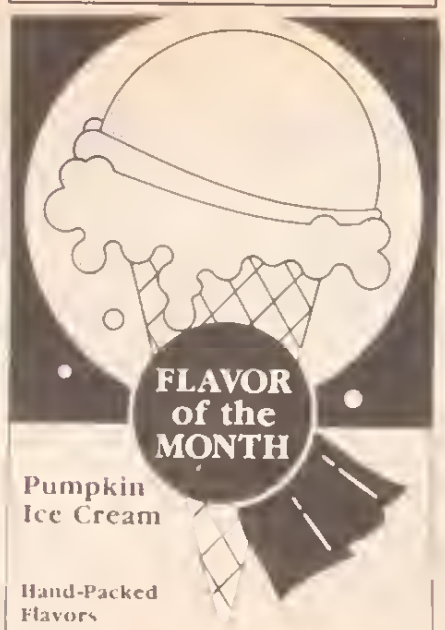


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# Alphabet Supes

On Nov. 6, San Francisco will choose six supervisors from a field of 29 hopefuls. To aid Noe Valley voters in making their choices, the *Voice* mailed questionnaires to each of the candidates. Rent control, childcare, bathhouses, and benefits for live-in lovers are among the issues they were asked to ponder. Six candidates, John Saleh Abdulla, Richard Bradley, Diana Coleman, Robert D. Ingraham, David L. Kilber, and John E. Wahl, failed to return the questionnaire. But here are the views of the 23 candidates who did.* They show, like the representative slice of bacon visible through the package window, where the meat is. Lean or not, the answers are revealing.

*In a few instances, it was necessary to edit candidates' responses for brevity

## Where do you stand on the following issues?

## Suzanne Alberto

**Occupation:** Administrative Secretary

**Expected campaign budget:** $701

**Qualifications:** I am a San Franciscan (since 1968) concerned about and interested in helping to resolve those serious problems facing the city which supervisors are permitted to do under the city charter. I am committed to employment only as supervisor so that I may frequently and personally meet with community groups and residents. Also, since I am bilingual (English/Spanish), I have a greater than average ability to communicate effectively with different cultural groups.

**1. Beefing up the existing rent control law to cover vacant apartments and/or businesses.**

1. I am a renter affected by skyrocketing rents as are most of us, and I support reasonable legislation concerning this issue

**2. Increasing municipal support for childcare facilities for working parents.**

2. I am a working mother who has also been a childcare provider while a single parent and am acutely aware of the need for such services. I believe that municipal support would be very helpful and welcomed.

**3. Closing gay bathhouses as a means of alleviating the AIDS epidemic.**

3. I do not personally believe that closing the bathhouses will deter the epidemic proportions of the disease. However, the city has embarked on what I feel is an ill-advised campaign which will have to be settled in the courts.

**4. A new sports stadium for San Francisco.**

4. I believe that it is a poorly-planned concept, seems to have little public support, and is probably an unwise project to pursue. Far better to construct quality structures in the first place—if people would learn to do so.

**5. The issue of comparable worth (equal pay for jobs of equal value).**

5. Support completely

**6. Prop. M, the "slow-growth" downtown plan defeated at the polls last year.**

6. Inasmuch as San Francisco's total available area is finite, I believe that controls on development are an absolute necessity before the whole city eventually becomes a "Manhattan of the West."

**7. Health benefits for live-in lovers of city employees.**

7. At the moment a moot question—a difficult concept to support without adequate legal (binding) commitment between parties which would stand up in court.

**8. Placing a limit on campaign spending in the supervisors' race.**

8. Probably a very good idea. The expense of political campaigns precludes a lot of qualified people from pursuing such a course, and thus communities lose availability of concerned, talented citizens' efforts

**9. Fluoride in the city's water supply vs. tooth decay.**

9. The presence of fluoride in the waters of many communities has been studied for about 30 years—if what many health officials tell us is true—and it has not appeared to be detrimental, although maybe people have fewer cavities due to increased dental hygiene

**10. KQED pledge nights, the Los Angeles Raiders, and Ronald Reagan.**

10. These are not local issues, and I abstain from expressing my opinion on these three subjects.

## Roger Boschetti

**Occupation:** Television Producer

**Expected campaign budget:** $25,000

**Qualifications:** I have held a number of positions with the Marine Cooks and Stewards Union and the Seafarers International Union over a 25-year period, and represented members in thousands of cases involving wage and working conditions. I now head the Italian Telecast and Production Company in San Francisco and have been host of the Italian American Hour.

1. Yes, I would be in favor of that.

2. I maintained right along that I would support an increase in childcare facilities

3. I believe that AIDS is an epidemic which should be dealt with very seriously. In closing the bathhouses, I believe that AIDS would be slowed up quite a bit.

4. Yes, I would support a sports stadium as long as it was built in a place where it would not create traffic congestion.

5. Yes, I support comparable worth. I'm the one that started it, back in 1956.

6. I support the slow-growth plan for the downtown area

7. *(no answer)*

8. Yes.

9. Yes

10. *(no answer)*

## Harry Britt

**Occupation:** San Francisco Supervisor

**Expected campaign budget:** $150,000

**Qualifications:** I represented Noe Valley as your district supervisor before being elected citywide in 1980. Since then I have worked closely with neighborhood organizations, including Friends of Noe Valley and the 24th Street merchants, to develop legislation to maintain the special character of our neighborhoods. In 1985, I hope to move toward a Master Plan for Noe Valley that reflects residents' desires.

1. I have sponsored strong tenant protections, including vacancy control and reduction to 4 percent annual increases, and am writing legislation to protect neighborhood businesses against huge rent hikes.

2. Provision of childcare is a fundamental obligation. I will continue to support efforts to provide funding for childcare programs.

3. All members of the Board want Dr. Silverman to do everything possible to stop AIDS. It is now up to the courts to see that the medical necessity for closing the baths is adequate, and that the constitutional issues involved in regulating sex this way are dealt with.

4. I serve on the "Save the Giants" Committee and favor replacing Candlestick with a modern facility if we can finance it at no taxpayer expense and without negative impacts on our neighborhoods

5. I sponsored the legislation that made comparable worth official city policy, and serve on the committee that is working to implement that policy.

6. I supported Proposition M enthusiastically, and am a co-sponsor of legislation to put a square foot limit on downtown development.

7. Every worker is entitled to benefits he or she earns to protect family members regardless of marital status. I authored domestic partners legislation, and have created a committee to continue working to make it happen.

8. The high cost of elections makes it very difficult for neighborhood candidates to run for office successfully. I will support effective campaign reform measures that encourage democratic participation. District elections is still a first priority

9. As chair of the committee hearing this issue, I will of course listen to all the evidence presented. My strong sense is that fluoridation is a valuable protection for children's teeth and scientific debate has long since been resolved in its favor.

10. I live near the fire hydrant at Church and 20th that saved Noe Valley during the 1906 earthquake. If Ronald Reagan is re-elected, we had better hope the fire hydrant is in good repair. We'll have more disasters to survive.

## Randall Bronner

**Occupation:** Artist-Musician

**Expected campaign budget:** $300

**Qualifications:** My issues: the San Francisco budget surplus is $162 million; the Muni fare/Fast Pass revenue is $46 million. Residents pay for two-thirds the cost of Muni and should ride FREE. Aspen, Colo., free buses for 10 years. Portland has free buses downtown.

1. For.

2. For.

3. Making anyone that goes to straight or gay sexually natured businesses be tested regularly at the city clinics.

4. A super-stadium seating 200,000 combining highrise architecture around a covered stadium.

5. For.

6. Let's slow down on shoe-box highrises.

7. For.

8. My own limit is $10 per contributor.

9. Keep fluoride.

10. Let KQED run commercials once an hour. Let Oakland buy back the Raiders. He wasn't even a good actor.

## Jonathan Bulkley

**Occupation:** Architect

**Expected campaign budget:** $150,000

**Qualifications:** I am an Architect and Planner and have maintained an office in San Francisco for 25 years, the last 16 on Clement St. I know the problems of small business. I have been active in neighborhood affairs since the early sixties, starting with the fight to stop the second Bay Bridge on Potrero Hill, to the residential and commercial zoning battles in the Richmond District. I have served on the Open Space Committee and as President for the Coalition of Neighborhoods. I feel that I, more than any incumbent, can represent the interests of the neighborhoods and residents of San Francisco.

1. I oppose changes to the rent control laws; we have an ordinance now that protects tenants. What we need is better enforcement, not more laws.

2. This issue is a top priority

3. They are in fact now closed.

4. Not a high priority.

5. A very important concept. I await the findings of the Mayor's task force before being specific as to how it should be implemented.

6. I supported Prop. M last year. I am concerned, along with my fellow neighborhood group leaders, about the impacts of runaway downtown development.

7. I support this proposal.

8. I don't know

9. I support fluoridation of the water.

10. Since these are not issues that directly affect our city, I would feel that it is my responsibility as a supervisor to attend to city business.

## Eleanor Davis

**Occupation:** High Tech Businesswoman

**Expected campaign budget:** $80,000

**Qualifications:** My experience with community groups and City Hall is extensive, and I have a close working relationship with the various offices and departments within city government. I became involved in local politics through neighborhood and merchant associations and worked on political campaigns for Dianne Feinstein, Nancy Walker, John Vasconsellos and Speaker Willie Brown. I serve the community through the Clement Merchants Assoc., Chamber of Commerce, Calif. Alcohol Treatment Services, Mayor's Task Force on Sidewalk Vending and Parking, San Francisco Outlook Inc., and SPUR, among others.

1. I am in support of residential rent control and a reasonable form of vacancy control; however, I would be less than frank if I didn't say I have deep concerns as to the impact of rent control on further development of rental housing and increase in rental housing stock—which we desperately need in the city. I would have voted and did support the 4 percent increase (limit) on rent increases and 14 percent limitation on vacancy control.

2. I would oppose any new building going up unless childcare centers and services were provided in each building in proportion to the size of the projected workforce.

3. Under no circumstances would I limit activities of bathhouse clients. If the evidence were compelling that it would do some good in preventing the spread of AIDS, I would vote for closing bathhouses.

4. If we cannot build our own new stadium...then I propose we enter into fruitful collaboration with Oakland officials to improve the Oakland Coliseum so as to accommodate one professionally competitive and financially viable Bay Area baseball team.... And Candlestick could be converted to construction of low- and moderate-income housing

5. Given the opportunity, I would vote yes on comparable worth because the concept of equal pay for equal work/worth is indisputable.

6. NO.

7. I would vote for and did support domestic partnership legislation because all domestic partners, regardless of sexual preference, should receive the benefits of their life partner in both the public and private sector.

8. I would vote for an ordinance imposing strict limits on expenditures for political campaigns in the city. These limits are necessary if the goal is to expand democratic participation in the city's public business so as to include poor people, many racial minorities, and the neighborhood organizations.

9. *(no answer)*

10. Pledge nights...GREAT. Oakland Raiders...they were never the team for us. They were revenue for Oakland only.

## Edward B. Hayes

**Occupation:** Banker

**Expected campaign budget:** $1,500

*No photo available*

**Qualifications:** I left religious life so that hopefully I could make a serious effort to solve our problems. After studying economics at St. Mary's College, I've devoted my life to economic study (independent) of the serious problems that we face both here in S.F. and the Bay Area. The loss of agriculture land through growth and the amount of crime in S.F. are awful.

1. As rents skyrocket here, in order to protect the low income and elderly as well as those like myself (I work and pay almost 84 percent of my net income for rent), I'd say yes. As far as businesses: yes, they should have a cost of living index increase.

2. Yes, to help parents be able to work fulltime. They could pay on a sliding scale and we would create new jobs in childcare.

3. Yes, I know this is a moral issue but with over 300 dead so far and another 400 with AIDS, I feel it would be for everyone's safety.

4. No, not at the taxpayer's expense. As BART was, the home owner could not handle the extra taxes. I'd rather invent ways to make Candlestick more viable.

5. Yes, I have nothing else to say on this; men and women deserve the same compensation.

6. I would only like to see developments that are needed. No more highrises to bring in outside companies that don't create jobs

7. No, what if someone wanted to switch lovers every month? Who would end up covered?

8. Yes, the underdog cannot compete equally with the incumbents.

9. We have had fluoride for over 30 years and I'm still alive.

10. I love KQED, don't care for the Raiders, and hope Ronald Reagan is defeated in November, thank you

rent control

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Raiders, Ron

| | Ruby T. Jimenez | Andrew "Daddy" Jones | Willie Kennedy | Ellis Leonard Anthony Keyes |
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| | **Occupation:** Directory Sales Rep., Pacific Bell Yellow Pages<br>**Expected campaign budget:** $400 from pearl necklace raffle and Mexican food potluck<br> | **Occupation:** Daddy Andy Handyman Service; student, City College<br>**Expected campaign budget:** $0<br> | **Occupation:** San Francisco Supervisor<br>**Expected campaign budget:** $150,000<br> | **Occupation:** Musician<br>**Expected campaign budget:** ????<br> |
| | **Qualifications:** As a naturalized Mexican American, residing in San Francisco since 1948, I have seen the city decline in some of its more important aspects. Basic human needs have been glossed over and decadence prevails. The city's economy rests on a handful of residents and businesses. Basic solid economic growth (such as Port uplifting), feasible family living enticements and unlimited human development for young and old are a must. I propose myself zealously to the task. | **Qualifications:** I, Andrew "Daddy Andy" Jones, hereby state that all is true. With the Single Parent Resource Center for more than seven years. Daddy Andy is known to Tuggey's Hardware Store. I am known to the people of the Mission District. I am a Red Cross volunteer. | **Qualifications:** I was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Ella Hill Hutch because I could continue to serve her constituents: seniors, minorities, neighborhoods. In my three years in office, I think I have successfully carried out my agenda, and I wish to continue serving. | **Qualifications:** I am familiar with the needs of the seniors, the youth, the unemployed, the homeless and all who are affected directly and indirectly by these; the poor with whom I live and eat at St. Anthony's. For the entire human family and the cause of human survival, I lay down my life, to keep what is right and correct what is wrong in our local government. Hopefully to create a model for world reform through our diversity which will lead to world peace. |
| rent control | 1. Usually issue involves excessive taxations, assessments, licenses on landlords by government; and not additional rent control laws. Landlords and tenants should have very open communication. | 1. Yes, because high rent is hurting so many people in this city. | 1. I have always supported rent and vacancy control. | 1. In support. |
| childcare | 2. Yes. Help working parents. Families should stay in S.F. Don't drive them out. | 2. Yes. I am for any and all support for working mothers and fathers. I am a single parent. | 2. We need to increase governmental and corporate support. | 2. In support. |
| gay baths | 3. Yes. I'm glad many bathhouse owners are closing on their own. This may have some control on AIDS. | 3. No, many good people have opened bathhouses as a means of business. If they are closed, they would be out of work. | 3. I have listened to hours of testimony, but no one has yet presented a causal link between the incidence and spread of AIDS and people in bathhouses. If a link *is* found, the Director of Public Health can take immediate action, without previous approval or legislation. | 3. No. I want to put pornographers out of business. |
| stadium | 4. What's wrong with improving the one we have? Let's not tax the citizens any more. | 4. No. | 4. We have many other priorities in S.F. I think Candlestick Park can be improved instead. | 4. No, house the homeless first. |
| comp. worth | 5. Absolutely. If I produce the same profit to a business as a man, I should get paid the same. | 5. Yes | 5. I certainly support this. It is an idea whose time is long overdue. | 5. Yes, and pay equity too. |
| Prop. M | 6. Growth is good, but the downtown is cluttered with offices. The type of business that will uplift the city's economy, such as the Port of S.F., is what we should invite back, as well as economical family dwellings. | 6. *(no answer)* | 6. I opposed this for one reason only. I could receive no assurance regarding jobs and new jobs for working people. We must keep working people in the city. We must be vigilant about preserving jobs! | 6. In support. |
| benefits | 7. No. What happened to marriage? And we don't need any further taxation. | 7. Yes. | 7. I voted for domestic partner legislation, and when it comes back to the Board, I shall vote for it again. Anyone paying taxes is entitled to health benefits, retirement, etc., and their loved ones should share in the benefits. | 7. Yes. Health care for all. |
| campaign $ | 8. Yes. Ideas, public service media, and meetings on a one-to-one basis are powerful. Excessive spending can be tricky. | 8. Yes. | 8. This is a democracy, and if people wish to support certain candidates and/or issues, they certainly have a right to contribute. It would be an interference in their rights should we impose outside restrictions. | 8. Yes. |
| fluoride | 9. Absolutely. Even the dentists seem to recommend fluoride. | 9. Our water is okay as is. | 9. Perhaps the amount of fluoride in the water and in our toothpaste is a bit much, but there is no evidence that fluoride per se is dangerous to our health. | 9. Yes. |
| Raiders, Ron | 10. A. Public concerns, interests and sponsorships are powerful movers of the media B. Not a fan. C. Good man, but badly advised. I support his beam weapon policy, but he is very weak on foreign and economic issues. Economist Lyndon La Rouche should be consulted. | 10. No. No. No. | 10. The KQED pledge night is one long commercial. I wish the L.A. Raiders were still in Oakland. I do not support Ronald Reagan. | 10. Good. Great team. Bad actor. |

## Quentin L. Kopp

**Occupation:** S.F. Supervisor/Attorney

**Expected campaign budget:** Unknown

**Qualifications:** Experience, knowledge, integrity and independence.

1. I authored a vacancy control amendment to the rent control law.

2. I support.

3. Undecided. No such legislation has been presented to the full Board of Supervisors, but I generally oppose governmental regulation of relations between consenting adults.

4. I oppose city government building a stadium. I support private sector building one.

5. Undecided.

6. I support regulation of downtown growth, although I did not endorse "M" because of certain provisions.

7. Opposed the last ordinance.

8. Support. I wrote the original campaign spending limit law for all city races. The U.S. Supreme Court invalidated limits on spending, however, so the issue is unfortunately moot.

9. Support fluoridation.

10. Are you kidding? (Support KOED, yes.)

## Julian Lagos

**Occupation:** Political Scientist/Educator

**Expected campaign budget:** $4,000

*No photo available*

**Qualifications:** Ten years of political activism in labor, housing and education. I'm an avid observer of local government and believe it is at this level that true democracy can be realized.

1. I support vacancy control and a three-year freeze on *all* rental space until the city has a housing plan.

2. I support the concept of using existing elementary and secondary schools to meet this need.

3. I *do not* support this measure as it does not attack the real cause of AIDS.

4. I have proposed through the popular initiative process a 40,000-seat stadium in front of Moscone Center.

5. I support the concept, but believe it can currently be enacted only at the federal and state levels.

6. I supported Prop. M, and my concept of District Councils will bring planning back to the neighborhoods.

7. I support this measure completely.

8. Absolutely supportive of a ceiling and federal and state funding for all candidates.

9. I believe fluoride should be maintained as an active anti-bacterial agent in the water supply.

10. I support the pledge nights, am a fan of only the 49ers and the Giants, and am insulted by Reagan.

## Julianne Malveaux

**Occupation:** Economics Professor

**Expected campaign budget:** $30,000

**Qualifications:** (1) My professional experience as an economist. This background brings a more balanced approach to city problems and a more coordinated methodology for city planning. (Do we need a North of Market, South of Market and Downtown Plan when all are contiguous?) (2) My involvement in the women's community, black community, Democratic Party, and among environmentalists, peace activists and neighborhood activists. (3) My "roots" as a native San Franciscan, which perhaps explain my passionate interest in preserving San Francisco as a diverse place to live.

1. I support extending rent control to vacant apartments and commercial rentals.

2. Providing more affordable childcare is one of my priority programs. In addition to increasing municipal support for childcare, we must encourage the private sector to provide affordable childcare for their workers.

3. Closing the bathhouses treats a possible symptom, but not one of the causes of the AIDS problem. I oppose closing bathhouses, and prefer more AIDS research and education to solve a public health problem that plagues our city.

4. Where? And with what funds? With so many serious problems competing for scarce funds (and so many possible uses competing for scarce space), I favor a refurbishment of Candlestick Park. If another stadium is to be built, team owners should bear a major cost of new facilities.

5. Not only do I strongly favor comparable worth as a way for women workers to receive equal pay; but my own work as a labor economist suggests we can implement comparable worth promptly. I possess more technical knowledge on the subject than does any other candidate...because of my work in this area.

6. I was a member of the Prop. M steering committee, did much of the background research on job development in the city, and continue to strongly support the goals of the San Francisco Plan Initiative.

7. Actuarially, it makes sense to allow every city worker to choose a beneficiary for health coverage—perhaps through annual signups—regardless of formal relationship, gender, or sexual orientation. This will include gay domestic partners, live-in lovers and members of extended families.

8. Support. The real aim, however, should be to restore district election of supervisors.

9. I'm not an expert on dental hygiene, but I'm fairly sure tap water isn't causing AIDS. Don't worry about the fluoride, worry about those who would make it an issue.

10. KOED needs more public funding, viewer control, and community input—less private financing and snob programming. If Oakland's eminent domain action brings back the Raiders, it will set a valuable precedent for cities to stop plant closings and runaway shops. What do the U.S. and McDonald's have in common? They both have a clown named Ronald. Dump Reagan! Vote Mondale-Ferraro.

## John L. Molinari

**Occupation:** San Francisco Supervisor

**Expected campaign budget:** $375,000

**Qualifications:** I believe that, as supervisor, I am trying hard to make San Francisco a livable city for all kinds of people. I am proud of my work protecting neighborhoods, fighting for open space and encouraging transit alternatives. I am proud to have the endorsement of the Sierra Club, the San Francisco National Women's Political Caucus, San Francisco Tomorrow and the majority of the lesbian and gay political clubs.

1. I am a strong supporter and have voted for San Francisco's Rent Stabilization Ordinance; however, I have opposed adding vacant apartments because I believe it will end all hopes of developing new rental property in San Francisco.

2. I have consistently voted for childcare programs, as a member of the Board of Supervisors' Finance Committee.

3. This is not a legislative matter at this time.

4. As a member of the mayor's "Save the Giants" Committee, I support the idea but reserve judgment until I see the specific proposal.

5. I voted for the Comparable Worth Study in 1981 and support all efforts in this direction.

6. While I did support the 1979 anti-highrise initiative and "Sunlight in the Parks" (Proposition K), I did not favor this particular plan.

7. I voted for domestic partners legislation and vowed to override the mayor's veto.

8. As one of the original co-authors of a limit on spending, I support the concept. Unfortunately, the Supreme Court threw out our law. I will support new efforts in this direction.

9. I've been drinking San Francisco's water all my life and believe the current scare is unwarranted.

10. None of the above—but I am a strong supporter of Walter Mondale.

**rent control childcare gay baths stadium comp. worth Prop. M benefits campaign $ fluoride Raiders, Ron**

## Pat Norman

**Occupation:** Health Care Administrator

**Expected campaign budget:** $75,000

**Qualifications:** I am a political progressive with extensive professional experience as an administrator, program consultant, mediator and service provider. My commitment to economic and social justice is backed by 25 years of community service to ethnic and cultural minorities, gay people, women, low- and moderate-income families, elders, youths, small businesses, workers, the disabled and government policy-makers. I support neighborhood preservation, affordable housing measures, job training and comparable worth.

**rent control:** 1. I favor vacancy control legislation and would vote for it. I also favor commercial rent control in neighborhoods where skyrocketing rents are forcing out small businesses vital to a neighborhood's well-being—drug stores, laundries, groceries, etc.

**childcare:** 2. I support better training for childcare workers; more assistance to single-parent families and AFDC subsidy for mothers seeking job training/self-sufficiency; subsidized scholarships for low-income families for existing private childcare; more private sector involvement to provide and/or subsidize childcare for working parents.

**gay baths:** 3. There is no medical evidence showing that closure will prevent the spread of AIDS, and there is reason to believe that closure would have the opposite effect—increasing its spread. For medical and civil rights reasons, I support comprehensive AIDS educational efforts—not closure.

**stadium:** 4. We need an objective environmental impact report before recommending a new stadium or any major development for that matter. This needs to be part of a comprehensive plan for the entire city which takes into full account the impact on the communities involved, traffic and parking adverse effects as well as other environmental issues.

**comp. worth:** 5. I support implementation of comparable worth at the local, state and federal levels through point factor job evaluation, determination and elimination of sex-segregated departments, public education on comparable worth issues, and targeted class action lawsuits.

**Prop. M:** 6. I served on the Steering Committee of Prop. M and campaigned for its passage. The San Francisco Plan Initiative was a sensible and much needed measure.

**benefits:** 7. I favor extending benefits to domestic partners, but we may want to consider providing access to benefits for other familial relationships involving economic and domestic dependence—regardless of whether the relationship is spousal—i.e., extended families, elders sharing quarters.

**campaign $:** 8. I favor a limit on campaign spending in the supervisors' race.

**fluoride:** 9. I think fluoride in the water is helpful in reducing tooth decay. I am very concerned about asbestos and other toxins found in city drinking water. I am greatly concerned about discharge of toxic wastes into the Bay.

**Raiders, Ron:** 10. Pledge nights are just barely tolerable and, I am advised, necessary. No complaint, I'm a San Francisco 49ers fan, unmistakably. And I am voting Mondale/Ferraro with an emphasis on Ferraro.

## Joseph James Phillips

**Occupation:** Probate Attorney

**Expected campaign budget:** $13,000 to $14,000

**Qualifications:** I am a fourth generation San Franciscan and hold a law degree from the University of San Francisco and a master's degree in business administration from Golden Gate University. I have served the city as a Rent Control Board hearing officer, an attorney fee arbitrator, a director of the Geary Merchants, an officer of the South of Market Boys, and as an officer of the San Francisco Industry and Merchants.

**rent control:** 1. I favor beefing up supply by controls on developers and by in-law apartments. And thus to bring rents back down.

**childcare:** 2. I'm open on the issue. I believe we need more childcare, but have not formed any plan on the matter.

**gay baths:** 3. I favor a gay health commission, made up of health care professionals who happen to be gay. I would give them power to have hearings and to pass regulations.

**stadium:** 4. If one is to be built, then I would prefer it to be in San Francisco serving the needs of San Francisco. Not out somewhere serving the needs of commuter.

**comp. worth:** 5. I am for comparable worth.

**Prop. M:** 6. I am for a height limit, with flat roofs, and the roofs being open to the public as parks. I favor requiring developers to build housing units with their office developments, and equal to the number of jobs that they are bringing to the city.

**benefits:** 7. For. And for health care for all our people.

**campaign $:** 8. They would just cheat.

**fluoride:** 9. I am for fluoride in water to stop tooth decay.

**Raiders, Ron:** 10. For, against, you have got to be kidding!

## Louise H. Renne

**Occupation:** San Francisco Supervisor

**Expected campaign budget:** $100,000+

**Qualifications:** As Finance Committee chairperson I have protected vital services while cutting wasteful expenditures. Sound policies have been implemented. San Francisco is on sound financial footing. At the same time I played a leadership role in legislation affecting the environment, health care, Muni, the arts, indeed all San Franciscans (including our seniors and children). My prior experience includes being Deputy Attorney General, Criminal and Environmental Units, and arguing cases in the Supreme Court.

**rent control:** 1. I have not supported vacancy rent control because I believe it would backfire on renters and our efforts to create more affordable housing. I do not believe there is any consensus of opinion about commercial rent control. I prefer zoning and planning measures, like those that restrict the numbers of types of businesses in an area.

**childcare:** 2. I have led the way on the Board of Supervisors for support for childcare facilities, and it will continue to be one of my priorities. I was sponsor of the legislation that created a childcare staffperson in the mayor's office.

**gay baths:** 3. Besides the Board's appropriating the research and care funding necessary (which I have fully supported), containment of the AIDS epidemic is a medical question to be decided by health professionals.

**stadium:** 4. I have strong reservations about a downtown sports stadium, because of questions about increased traffic congestion and decreased new housing-site possibilities.

**comp. worth:** 5. I support comparable worth 100 percent and am proud of my role in passing the concept for city employees when it was before the Board in November 1981. As a member of the 1984 Democratic Platform Committee, I supported the concept for the nation.

**Prop. M:** 6. I remained neutral on Prop. M. Hopefully, we can come up with a sound Downtown Plan. I have instituted a personal panel to advise me about its various aspects when the Board considers it in early 1985.

**benefits:** 7. I am in support of full health and pension benefits for all persons, regardless of status, both in public and private industry. Implementation must be accomplished in such a way that additional cost burdens do not fall on people who even now must pay huge premiums.

**campaign $:** 8. I support curbing campaign expenditures, for I do believe they are too high. The question is to find a constitutional way to do it.

**fluoride:** 9. Fluoride does *not* cause tooth decay. This is a bogus issue.

**Raiders, Ron:** 10. Of these three items, what can I say, other than that I oppose the President's re-election. To say nothing of what his continued administration means for a wasteful arms build-up, declining environmental protections, and diminished labor and civil rights.

## Carol Ruth Silver

**Occupation:** San Francisco Supervisor

**Expected campaign budget:** $90,000

**Qualifications:** I have the energy, dedication and proven experience necessary for the highly complex job of supervisor. As an elected official, I have always insisted that government must be responsive, efficient and fair. As supervisor, I have fought for the right of all San Franciscans to equal and fair access to our political process. I fought successfully to preserve our neighborhoods and to see that the services we depend on, such as libraries and the Muni, are fully funded.

**rent control:** 1. I voted for vacancy control for residential apartments. Some form of commercial rent control may be necessary to protect neighborhood-serving businesses.

**childcare:** 2. I believe that government should play a role in supporting childcare facilities.

**gay baths:** 3. The AIDS crisis is a severe medical emergency. I support any public health decision based on medical evidence which would contain this epidemic.

**stadium:** 4. My proposal still is, I believe, the best: construct a new stadium, with retractable dome, in the parking lot at Candlestick, then tear down the old one; construct freeway access from 101 to the stadium and put a light rail transit system down Third Street, thereby relieving traffic problems; and guarantee that 50 percent of the jobs on construction and operation will be held by residents of Bayview and Hunters Point.

**comp. worth:** 5. I strongly support comparable worth pay equity for male and female workers.

**Prop. M:** 6. I did not support Prop. M because it was so poorly drafted and complex it would have done more harm than good. I support the Downtown Plan developed by the Department of City Planning.

**benefits:** 7. I supported the legislation last year, and expect to support it again.

**campaign $:** 8. I would support such a proposal.

**fluoride:** 9. I am reading Supervisor Wendy Nelder's book with great interest, but as of now, I am still drinking the water and reserving judgment.

**Raiders, Ron:** 10. KQED needs the money, the Raiders need more fans, and Ronald Reagan needs a one-way ticket to Santa Barbara.

## David C. Smith

**Occupation:** Administrator of a service agency

**Expected campaign budget:** $1,000

*No photo available*

**Qualifications:** For seven years, I have been a counselor to individuals and families in crisis. I know the concerns, and I know how to bring listening and communicating skills to bear on problem-solving. I also know how to employ volunteers (instead of paid employees) to help people and problems better than law-making. I can represent family concerns in housing, economic, moral, and crime issues.

1. I am against this. I support the current rent control only as a temporary measure; I'm not interested in "beefing it up."

2. I'm for this, but the personnel must be carefully checked for any tendencies toward child molesting. Our parents need to be reassured.

3. Absolutely. Silverman waited too long.

4. I can live with it or without it. I'm for it if it increases jobs and the amount of money coming into the city.

5. I'm not for this. Any determination of "comparable worth" will be political and not in the best interest of anybody.

6. We already have a Downtown Plan from the Planning Commission. I'd like to see this get a public hearing before we look at anything else.

7. No. Health benefits are for married spouses only.

8. Even though I'm an underdog, I don't believe in limiting spending. If a candidate can inspire that much confidence, he or she should take advantage of it. I would like to see more equal media treatment, however.

9. There's nothing wrong with wanting to investigate theories that may affect the public's health. There's something wrong with spreading those theories when the facts have not been checked or before the facts have been checked.

10. KQED puts on its best programs during pledge "seasons." I can put up with a few commercials. The L.A. Raiders—trying to bring them back is too much for me to tackle; too much butting of heads. Reagan—he loves life.

## Kevin Starr

**Occupation:** Businessman, Writer, Professor

**Expected campaign budget:** $220,000 raised to date

**Qualifications:** I am a native San Franciscan who has had the opportunity to head a major city department, as City Librarian; to observe and write about San Franciscans, as a journalist; and to learn the practical business techniques so necessary to city government as the owner of a small communications firm. San Francisco has been very good to me and I want to repay that debt by devoting my time to public service.

1. Rent control is, at best, a bandaid approach to solving the housing crisis that grips our city. While I am in favor of the rent control measure currently in effect, I am opposed to vacancy controls because they will bring to a half what little rental housing construction is currently being done.... To protect neighborhood consumer services, I favor the use of strict zoning controls rather than commercial rent control.

2. The benefits of publicly supported childcare far outweight the cost. It is as unreasonable to expect a typical working parent to be able to pay the high cost of private childcare as it is to expect that parent to quit her job. Ours is a society that almost requires every adult to work, and we have a responsibility to see to it that children are adequately cared for.

3. I prefer self-regulation by the gay community to the wholesale closing down of bathhouses by the city. Many bathhouse owners have started programs to educate patrons about avoiding AIDS, and have made design modifications within their facilities to discourage activities linked to AIDS. These efforts are far more effective and less likely to ghetto-ize the gay community.

4. I did not favor the plans for a downtown stadium and would be very cautious about committing public funds to any sports stadium unless there were signs of significant public approval for it.

5. It is easy to support comparable worth, but very difficult to implement it. I am encouraged that the Comparable Worth Committee is meeting to study ways to introduce comparable worth in city government. It is important that inequity in pay be addressed and solved. Perhaps when the public sector makes strides in this direction, private industry will have a model to follow.

6. While I support the intent of Prop. M, I voted against it because I do not believe that good planning is accomplished through the initiative process. The Department of City Planning is best equipped to develop planning policies. If they are not doing so, we must take a good look at what is preventing them from producing good planning decisions and remedy the problem.

7. I am in favor of legislation to provide benefits to domestic partners when the couple involved lives together under a written, legally binding agreement that shows bona fide sharing of expenses and property.

8. It is shocking to contemplate the amount of money one must raise and spend to run for local office. Non-incumbents in particular must get their message out to the voters, but there does not seem to be a way to do so without spending money. I am not happy about the cost of mounting a campaign, but limits on expenditures only make it more difficult for non-incumbents to be heard.

9. N/A

10. N/A

## Sylvia Weinstein

**Occupation:** Writer, *Socialist Action*

**Expected campaign budget:** $2,000

**Qualifications:** My program: Courts, cops and strikebreaking injunctions; two-gate, two-tiered, union-busting tactics, are helping employers depress living standards. Escalating health, housing and food costs are forcing working people—especially Blacks and Latinos—out of San Francisco. Corporate condos and highrises replace workers' residences. Door-key children of working parents, denied childcare, are left to roam the streets. Abortion clinics are under siege. Only united labor—employed, unemployed, black, white—can change this condition.... Jobs not war!

1. I support rent control for all housing and small business units, vacant or occupied.

2. I believe childcare is a major issue in this city. Every public school should have a center connected with that school.... We need an immediate expansion of infant care centers and after school centers for school age children. Childcare centers should be free and available to all parents who want them; just as public schools are free and available to all parents.

3. Closing gay baths will not cure AIDS. We need a massive increase in research funds for AIDS as well as resources to care and house the victims of AIDS.

4. Housing units have been razed to make room for corporate office structures, tourist enterprises such as Japantown and the Moscone Center. We have turned over this city for corporate use. We do not need to destroy more housing for a stadium for S.F.'s big-time sports profiteers.

5. If Dianne Feinstein would just stop studying "comparable worth," and start putting it into effect, we would be on our way to achieving equal pay for work of comparable value. Sacramento, San Jose and many other cities have already supplied us with the details; now we need to move forward and put it into effect.

6. San Francisco is eaten away by "condo-mondo, hotel motel madness." Growth stalks the city like Godzilla knocking down housing for Japantown, Moscone Center, China Basin—all in the interest of profits for the rich. Homes in South of Market, Western Addition, Tenderloin, Hunters Point and outer Sunset are being replaced by high-priced condos.

7. I am for health benefits for everyone. I support a national health plan paid for out of the profits of corporations which are made from the sweat of labor. This will take a massive movement on the part of the working class, elderly oppressed and anyone who is deprived of good health care. Yes, I support health benefits for live-in "lovers" of city employees.

8. In 1912 a reform election law was passed in the State of California. All reforms are watched over by those who benefit from violating those very laws. Until we have a government of labor instead of business, laws will be useless.

9. I am not a member of the "flat earth society." I am for using fluoride in our water supply until the mass of scientific evidence convinces me it causes tooth decay or has a bad effect on the sanity of the Board of Supervisors.

10. Opposed to all of them, especially pledge nights. However, I also am a socialist and feel that both political parties are owned, controlled and paid for by corporate interests. What we need is a party that is controlled by the working class and the oppressed.

## Dave Wharton

**Occupation:** Community Service Attorney

**Expected campaign budget:** $100,000

**Qualifications:** San Francisco attorney, 17 years; have one-man law practice in, live in, shop in Noe Valley-Diamond Heights area; 15 years public law experience (ex-war on poverty attorney and City Attorney); five years representing small businesses, neighborhood non-profit groups, individuals. Homeowner, single parent of three teenagers; compassionate on social issues, but tax miser!

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*By Mazook*

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SPEAKING OF REWARDS, Immaculate Conception Academy (ICA) freshman Yvette Bermudez won a $150 first prize for the most sales in the school's fourth annual candy drive. Proceeds from the candy sales are earmarked for the school's new $2.9 million gymnasium annex under construction at 24th and Fair Oaks Streets. Yvette sold a record 2,175 one-dollar chocolate bars during the 12-day drive (Sept. 7–19). Yvette also broke her older sister Evelyne's record of 2,040 set last year. All told, 360 ICA students sold 62,132 candy bars this year for a net profit of $30,506. They have raised over $180,000 for building the annex, which should be finished by September, 1985. Says Assistant Principal Sister Georgette, "We still need $850,000 more." That's a lot of chocolate.

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LOOK FOR the world premiere Nov. 16 of "Taco Jesus" by Noe Valley playwright Michael Lynch at the One-Act Theater Company (430 Mason St., downtown). The story involves a couple who experience a religious awakening when they discover the face of Jesus on a corn tortilla. Michael adds a rare personal touch to the story—he was an evangelist as a child.

Congratulations to two other local artists, Kelly O'Finerty and Robert Gluck, who recently received grants from the California Arts Council.

For those of you who've been searching for the Gray Panthers' new *Cheap and Nutritious—and Delicious* cookbook, you can write to the Panthers' office at 50 Fell St., S.F., 94102, or call 552-8800 to order a copy ($7 plus tax and postage). Noe Valleon Miriam Blaustein, one of the five authors of this digest of economy in gastronomy, offers this tip: "The key to keeping food costs low is to avoid packaged and processed foods and stick to things such as fresh, in-season fruits and vegetables, whole grains, dried beans and rice, fish and chicken."

For those of you who'd rather read a menu, you might try the new one at Pablo's Restaurant on 24th between Castro and Diamond. Owner Pablo Vasquez, who was born in the province of Galicia in northern Spain, has switched his cuisine from Mexican to Spanish seafood now that his old friend Miguel Vallejo Granja has arrived from Madrid to take charge of the kitchen. Miguel, by the way, was once Generalissimo Francisco Franco's personal chef. The general's favorite seafood, he reveals, was La Cigala, a shellfish found only off the coast of northern Spain.

While we're on favorites, Joan Anderson of the Cheese Company reports that your favorite cheese is French Brie, which up until recently was No. 2 behind Swiss Cheese. The No. 1 cracker? That would be the English brand Carr's Table Water Crackers, of course.

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Crimes of another sort were on the minds of most of those attending the Friends of Noe Valley "Town Hall" meeting at the Noe Valley Library Oct. 3. Folks were clamoring for enforcement of laws against parking on or blocking sidewalks. Others complained that overhanging branches from many of the trees lining our sidewalks were lower than the eight-foot limit. "More stop signs!" was also a frequent demand.

The latest on the Noe Valley Post Office is that postal authorities are considering the feasibility of moving into Ray and Al's garage, next to the old Finnegan's.

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WALTER LOCKER, a 38-year Noe Valley resident, provided the answer to last month's trivia question: Who was James Lick, anyway?

James Lick was born in Pennsylvania in 1796 and died in San Francisco in 1876. He was an accomplished linguist, distinguished horticulturist, practical astronomer, versatile artisan, and San Francisco's first real estate mogul. He gained fame as a Baltimore piano-maker in the 1830s. He later became a South American commodities trader and arrived by boat in San Francisco in 1848 with $30,000 in Peruvian gold doubloons. He immediately bought land—and a lot of it. Shortly thereafter, gold was discovered in them thar hills, and within a year Lick's $10,000 investment was worth a million.

Lick built the Conservatory of Flowers, which still stands in Golden Gate Park. He imported plum, apricot and pear trees to his Santa Clara Valley orchards. He is entombed in the base of the great telescope in a famous observatory on Mount Hamilton (near San Jose), which was built from his legacy and bears his name.

Are you ready for this month's trivia question? Here goes. Who is downtown Noe Valley's El Vira Building (24th and Noe) named after? (No, not the country 'n' western hit.) Ciao for now. □


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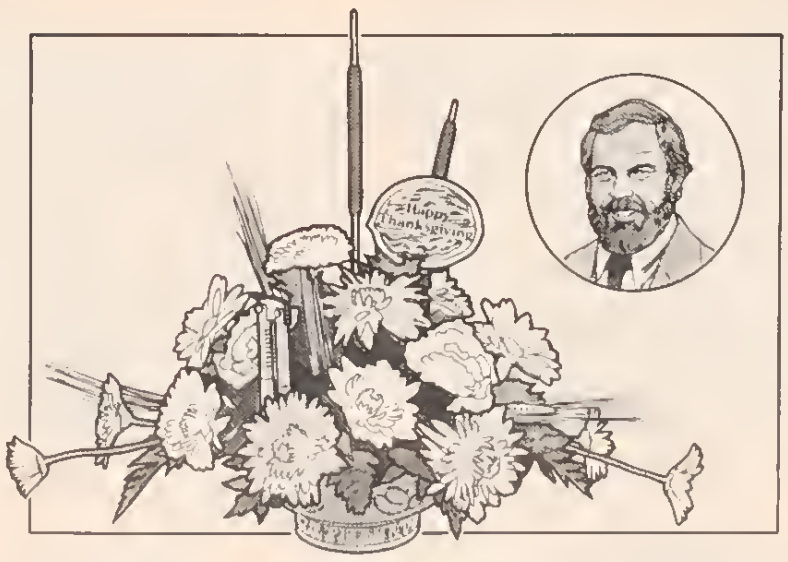


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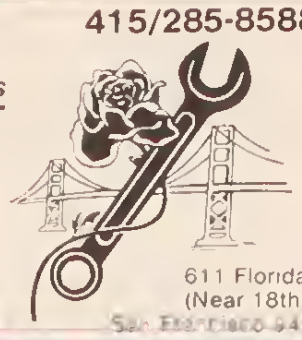

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# November Music Series Features Valley Virtuosos

*By Bill Yard*

With those nasty winter storms swooping down on us from the Pacific, it's time to turn our attention to indoor diversions. And the second-best way to spend a rainy Saturday evening is to catch the Noe Valley Music series at 1021 Sanchez St.

Producer Larry Kassin has assembled a stellar line-up of local talent for this month's performances. If you're strolling past the Noe Valley Ministry on a Saturday night and you notice that the steeple seems to quiver in the moonlight, here's why:

On Nov. 3, sax fiends will be treated to the sounds and sights of the ROVA Saxophone Quartet. In addition to the ROVA reedmen's concert, you'll see their "Saxophone Diplomacy" video, a documentary of their 1983 tour of the Soviet Union. By the way, the "A" in ROVA stands for member Bruce Ackley, who deals in discs at Aquarius Records on 24th Street.

Across the street and down the block from Aquarius, guitar students are signing up at Noe Valley Music to work with another of the series' November performers: blues pyrotechnician Danny Kalb. Kalb, who ignited the crowds at the recent Noe Valley street fair, appears in concert at the Ministry Nov. 10. When he's not filling sanctuaries with sound, the former Blues Project member teaches guitar out of his Potrero District home. (For more information on lessons, phone Dale Miller at Noe Valley Music, 821-6644.)

Noe Valley resident guitarist Bruce Forman and pianist George Cables will team up for a concert Nov. 17. *Downbeat* magazine lauded Forman in its 1982–83 critics' poll as an up-and-coming "talent deserving wider recognition." Forman's cohort Cables was named "Best Pianist" at last month's "Jammies," the Bay Area Jazz Artists Music Awards.

And just when your Thanksgiving leftovers start growing fur, you can feast on the feats of singer Bobby McFerrin. The 1984 Jammies' "Entertainer of the Year" brings his one-throat orchestra to the Ministry Dec. 1. Vocalist McFerrin, whose larynx has done to jazz improvisation what floppy discs did to bookkeeping, wowed the recent Monterey Jazz Festival even as his latest album, "The Voice," ascended the charts.

Music czar Kassin, meanwhile, takes over the Mariposa Studio in Project Artaud (2880 Mariposa St.) on Nov. 9. Appearing with flutist Kassin will be Windham Hill guitarist Alex De Grassi and bassist Todd Phillips.

All the above shows, including Kassin's gig, begin at 8:15 p.m. Tickets are $6 for Rova and McFerrin, $5 for the rest. For more information about upcoming Noe Valley Music events, phone the Ministry at 282-2317.

Photos by Irene Kane

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*Bruce Forman (below), Danny Kalb (left, with glasses), and Bruce Ackley (above, without glasses) are among the local luminaries slated to appear at this month's Noe Valley Music series at 1021 Sanchez St.*


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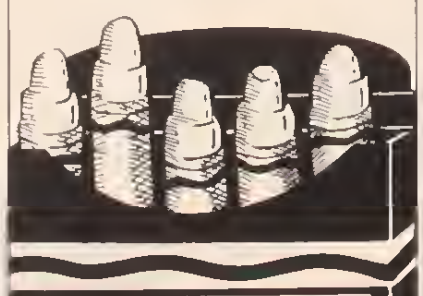

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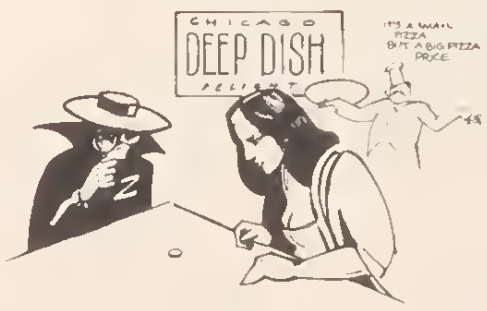


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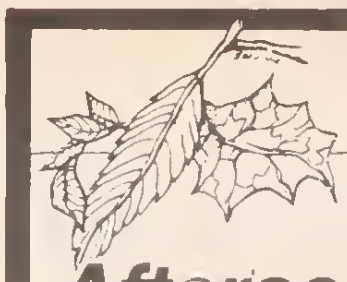

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# 'Heal Thyself!' is the Remedy From Noe Valley Homeopaths

*By Nancy Wangel*

"My husband called it 'hocus-pocus'," said Jeannine. Then one day, in a desperate attempt to avoid stomach surgery scheduled two weeks away, Jeannine's husband, Lew, tried the "hocus-pocus"; he went for treatment at the Noe Valley Health Clinic. "Within an hour after his appointment, he called me in amazement and said that his pain was entirely gone." He never had to have the surgery. Lew had been converted to homeopathy.

Jeannine's first experience with homeopathy began three years ago when her then six-month-old child had not stopped screaming for months. She had been from one doctor to another with no luck. All told her there was nothing physically wrong with her child, and most suggested she was simply a terrible mother. Desperate for help, she took a friend's advice and tried homeopathy at the Noe Valley Health Clinic. Within a week, her baby's problem had drastically improved, and shortly after, it was gone.

For the past four years, the Noe Valley Health Clinic has accumulated quite a few testimonials like these. But despite its success as one of only three homeopathic clinics in San Francisco, the office must close its doors this month due to prohibitively high rent. The clinic's practitioners are hopeful, however, that a new location can be found in Noe Valley.

The professional staff of the Noe Valley Health Clinic consists of Vicki Cochran, a licensed physician assistant; nurse practitioner Pat Sanders; and Jonathan Shore, M.D. Operating out a small storefront on Church Street near 26th, the trio practices homeopathic medicine rather than orthodox "allopathic" medicine. Whereas allopathic medicine views symptoms as the disease itself and focuses on the part of the body where those symptoms occur, homeopathy views the totality of the person and his or her symptoms as an expression of the individual's "vital force." The homeopathic system of healing operates on the principle that the body, given the proper stimulus, can heal itself. That stimulus is the "homeopathic remedy," which is based on the premise that "like heals like." For example, what could *cause* symptoms in a healthy person can *relieve* them in a person who is sick with those same symptoms.

First recorded by Hippocrates, homeopathy is widely known and accepted throughout Europe and well established in England and Germany. However, the practice is relatively unknown in the U.S., where few Americans understand homeopathy or the role of the practitioner.

Becoming a licensed practitioner is a long process. Cochran, who began studying homeopathy seven years ago, says, "You could study it all your life and never finish learning." Students begin the process in small study groups, then progress to advanced courses given by the International Foundation for Homeopathy. These involve studying for two weeks a month over the course of a year, followed by an intensive two-week seminar. Licensed homeopaths, who are required to meet the standards of the State Board of Medical Quality Assurance, must also attend yearly continuing education medical seminars along with physicians and other medical practitioners.

Cochran emphasizes the importance of knowledge of traditional medicine as well as homeopathic techniques. "I can appreciate someone who is a lay practitioner wanting to practice something that makes people well," she explains, "but it goes completely against our standards. We're trying to legitimize homeopathy. We feel that you really need a medical background to be seeing people if you're going to do anything serious. Our concern is, how is this lay practitioner who has no medical knowledge at all going to recognize danger signals in a person which need to be further evaluated?"

Cochran and her colleagues base their selection of a homeopathic remedy on an understanding of the patient's emotional, mental and physical symptoms as well as his or her general personality characteristics. First-time patients undergo an in-depth, hour-long interview in which the practitioner tries to determine, for example, whether "they're hot, they're cold; they're thirsty, they're not; they crave sweets or salt; they can't stand eggs; their symptoms get better or worse in certain kinds of weather or at certain times of day." This information is interpreted as "neither good nor bad—it all makes up the person."

Interestingly, there can be anywhere from 30 to 200 remedies for a given set of symptoms, but the number narrows significantly for a particular individual. Remedies are made from animal, vegetable and mineral substances which are diluted to a trace factor in order to release the full healing power. The practitioner administers the remedy in the form of white sugar heads allowed to melt on the patient's tongue. The substances range from things as common as salt to those as uncommon as gold or poison oak.

At times, practitioners will dispense traditional antibiotics for acute conditions or serious infections. If there are several possible remedies for a condition, "what we do," says Cochran, "is give a remedy, then perhaps follow it up with a second remedy. If there isn't a quick action, usually within a hour or so, we'll use antibiotics. Certain ailments, such as urinary infections, cannot be left untreated. Not only are they extremely uncomfortable, it could be potentially very dangerous for the person, so you've got to treat it."

There are also other conditions that do not lend themselves to the homeopathic approach. "People on steroids and some other powerful medications cannot be treated. We can't treat genetic diseases, such as Down's syndrome, where a chromosome is missing. But if there's something there to be stimulated, we can work with it."

According to Cochran, there's "something there" for homeopathic treatment in an estimated 98 percent of all the clinic's cases.

Homeopathy commonly attracts two kinds of patients. One is the person, like Jeannine, who has tried traditional medical treatments with little success. "Typically," says Cochran, "it's a child with behavior problems, crying and throwing tantrums. Perhaps it's a developmental stage, but they're difficult to live with." Cochran claims tremendous success with this type of problem, as well as with chronic ear infections, which frequently occur in children. Says Cochran, "A typical child that I see has had ear infection after ear infection. They've had literally quarts of liquid antibiotics, and the child still gets one [infection] after another. The parents get desperate, and the child has either already had tubes put in their ears, or they're about to have them inserted. Homeopathic treatment can relieve this cycle."

Photo by Joel Abramson

*Vicki Cochran, of the Noe Valley Health Clinic on Church Street, finds that homeopathic treatment for a wide variety of ailments is appropriate for children as well as adults.*

Another potential patient is the basically healthy adult who has a few minor complaints, such as low energy, tension headaches, or premenstrual syndrome. In one case, a patient had suffered severe headaches connected with her menstrual syndrome for literally three weeks out of the month over a period of 25 years. Cochran was able to prescribe a remedy which eliminated the headaches within two weeks from the onset of treatment. At this point, the patient need only return every few months or so for a repeat dose of the remedy.

In another case, a woman came to the clinic complaining of mild, seasonal hay fever, asthma, and chronic fatigue. According to the patient, the "constitutional" remedy she received not only eliminated these ailments, but turned out to be a cure for her writer's block, a problem she'd never mentioned to the practitioner.

Why has homeopathy continued to thrive, despite its relative obscurity in the U.S.? And why do patients come to the Noe Valley Health Clinic from as far away as Tahoe, Livermore and San Jose? "People want to see someone who listens to what they say," Cochran explains. "They want to see someone who treats the whole person instead of just their toe or their ear or whatever is out of order. Most people are really glad after that first visit that they got to talk about all of it. They weren't ever told, 'Oh, you can't have that. The doctor knows better. What you are describing is impossible.'" According to Cochran, "the way patients describe it is the way it *is*."

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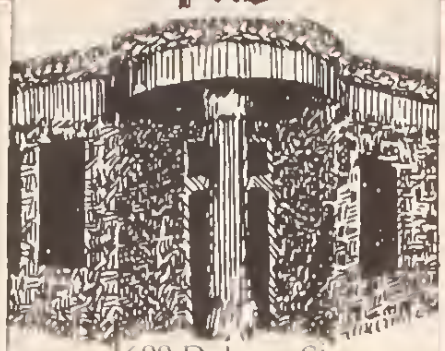

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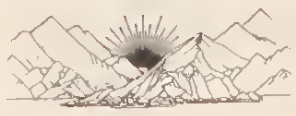

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# Eureka! They Found It!

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After six years of flying from pillar to post, the Eureka Theatre Company has finally landed a permanent home. The company is constructing an entirely new theater at 2730 16th St. near Harrison. This project may represent the most ambitious undertaking by a San Francisco theater in years.

For the Eureka, finding a room of its own has been no small task. The theater, founded in 1972, spent the first six years of its existence in a church basement on Sanchez near Market.

Adversity struck in 1978, however, when a fire ravaged the church, forcing the Eureka to search for a new home. After a number of temporary arrangements and an abortive attempt at permanency at the Margaret Jenkins Studio, the group leased the new space, an old warehouse building, in late 1983 and began to develop plans for a major overhaul this year.

According to Artistic Director Tony Taccone, the move to 16th Street represents a graduation to the major leagues for the Eureka. The entire space is 12,000 sq. ft., with 5,000 sq. ft. given over to the theater proper. With a seating capacity of 250, it becomes one of the largest theaters of its class. The rest of the space will be devoted to a lobby, box office, workshop, dressing rooms, toilet facilities, lighting booth and green room (actors' lounge). There is no strict division of playing area and audience; the "stage" and seating arrangement will be adapted for each production.

Taccone sees the building as a symbol of a new beginning, one that will bring a more professional and institutional status to the Eureka. Though he is excited by this new level of development, he also finds it scary. He's acutely aware of the growing pains involved in shifting from a small community theater to a larger and more complex organization.

Back in the beginning, the Eureka functioned with no particular philosophy of theater. The attitude seemed to be: "Okay, kids, let's put on a good show," with an emphasis on productions from the 1940s and 1950s. But, in the mid-1970s, as a politically more liberal contingent joined the ranks, the idea of a theater of "social relevance" began to take root.

As Taccone sees it, the Eureka's plays are committed to the social concerns that affect people's lives directly. For example, their 1981 production of Emily Mann's "Still Life" dealt with returning Vietnam veterans. Another production, "Fish Nor Fowl," concerned the printing industry's changeover from lead type to computers, and last year's blockbuster, "Cloud 9," focused on the need for liberation from rigid sex roles. Implicit in all their current productions is the idea that people have the power and responsibility to change their world.

In addition to a building crew, board of directors and administrative staff, the Eureka's company now consists of three actresses, three directors, and a dramaturge, Oskar Eustis, who also functions as a director. Taccone's co-directors Susan Marsden and Richard Seyd and actresses Abigail Booraem, Lauri Holt and Sigrid Wurschmidt all share in the theater's artistic decisions.

While construction continues on the new building, the Eureka will open its 1984–85 season at nearby Theatre Artaud with "Accidental Death of an Anarchist" by Dario Fo. Taccone will direct this comedic work about the "suicide" of an anarchist in police custody. The play runs Nov. 7 through Dec. 16 at Theatre Artaud, 450 Florida St.

"Top Girls" by Caryl Churchill, author of "Cloud 9," will inaugurate the new 16th Street space in January.

Along with the regular season, the company plans to hold playwright forums, events for children, and a program of lectures and workshops. Undoubtedly, these activities will give a wide range of people access to the space. Now that the Eureka has attained a measure of stability, it stands to become a major force in San Francisco theater. □

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*Eureka Theatre Director Tony Taccone crosses all his fingers in hopes that the company's new 16th Street space will open soon and successfully.*


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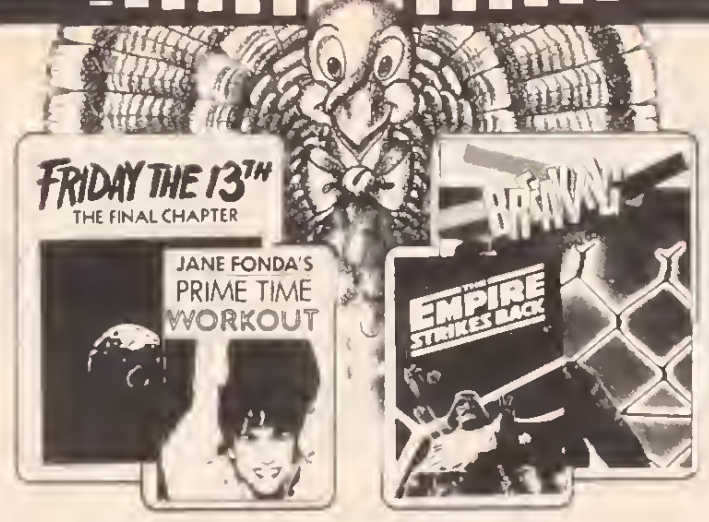


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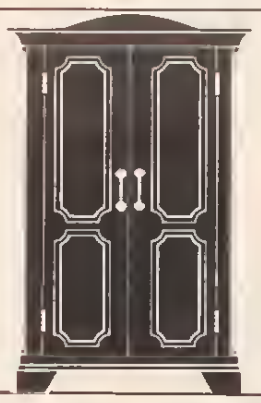

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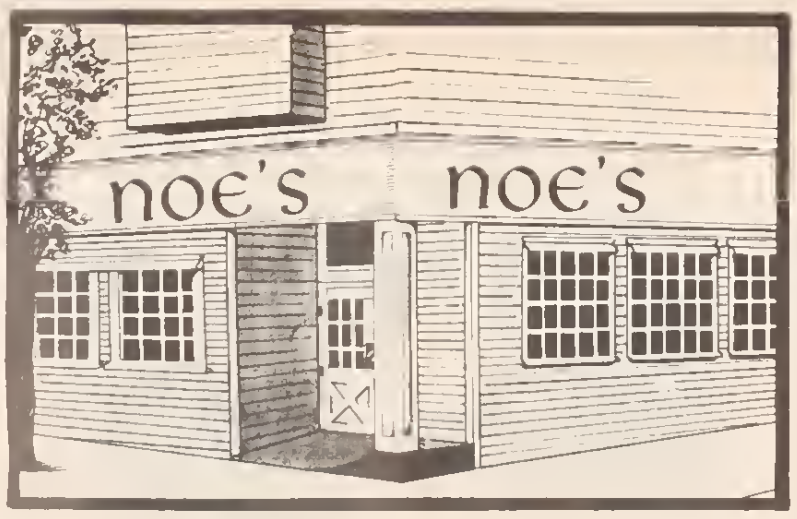


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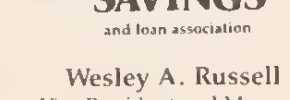
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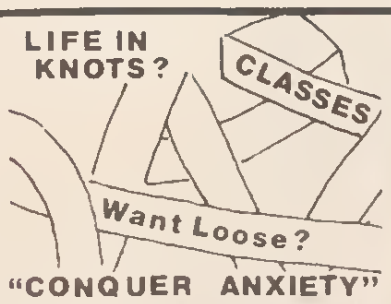

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# CALENDAR

## NOVEMBER 1984

**NOV. 1:** "The Times of HARVEY MILK"—the premiere of a feature length documentary on the San Francisco Supervisor. Castro Theater, Castro and Market. Call 621-6120 for details

**NOV. 1:** The LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS hosts a "Meet the League" wine and cheese reception. Gallery One 565 Sutter St., 5 to 7 p.m. 775-VOTE

**NOV. 1:** PREGNANCY STRETCH AND TONE class for general fitness during pregnancy. Bethany Methodist Church, 1268 Sanchez St. 6 to 7 p.m. 824-2324

**NOV. 2:** BOOK PARTY for Philip Russell's *El Salvador in Transition*. Modern Times Bookstore, 968 Valencia St.

**NOV. 2:** "DADA" and "MESHES OF THE AFTERNOON" by Maya Deren. Noe Valley Cinema, 1021 Sanchez St. 8 p.m. 929-0382

**NOV. 2,3:** TALLGIRLS presents "Deluxe Dances #1," choreography by Harriet Garfinkle, Marica Paulsen, Jill Daly, and featuring "Dining at the Cafe Plastic" by Doug Skinner. Footworks Dance Studio, 3221 22nd St. 8.30 p.m. 362-4700 or 647-9291

**NOV. 2,8,15:** Fourth annual LITERARY LECTURE SERIES produced by City Arts and Lectures Inc. to benefit the S.F. Public Library. Nov. 2: Saul Bellow, Nov. 8: Russell Baker, Nov. 15: Paul Theroux. Herbst Theater. 8 p.m. 392-4400

**NOV. 9:** Windham Hill guitarist ALEX DE GRASSI will be joined by flutist Larry Kassin and bassist Todd Phillips for a concert at Mariposa Studio, 2880 Mariposa St. 8:15 p.m.

**NOV. 9:** ALICE WALKER, author of *The Color Purple*, reads from her new poetry collection, *Horses Make the Landscape Look More Beautiful*. Horace Mann Junior High, Bartlett and 23rd Streets. 7:30 p.m. 282-9246

**NOV. 9:** FILMS "I F Stone's Weekly" and "Munro" (short). Noe Valley Cinema, 1021 Sanchez St. 8 p.m. 929-0382

**NOV. 10:** Noe Valley Music presents guitarist DANNY KALB, formerly of the Blues Project. Noe Valley Ministry, 1021 Sanchez St. 8:15 p.m.

**NOV. 12:** VETERAN'S DAY.

**NOV. 12:** Beginning of eight-week class, "TOOLS FOR POLITICAL THINKING," on feminism, Marxism, new age politics. For more info call Margo Adair, 861-6838

**NOV. 13:** FICTION WRITERS' Open Reading. Modern Times Bookstore, 968 Valencia St. 8 p.m. (7:30 p.m. registration to read.) 282-9246

**NOV. 13:** "VISION AS VOICE," a Noe Valley poetry and fiction workshop led by Sally Abbott, begins Tuesday evenings, 7 to 10 p.m. 648-7928

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*The season for garage sales in Noe Valley is any time the sun shines and the wind wan't blow things away.*

**NOV. 2–24:** PHOTO 84, a juried exhibition of women photographers from around the country. Vida Gallery, Women's Building, 3543 18th St. Reception Nov. 2, 7 to 9 p.m. 864-VIDA.

**NOV. 3:** Beginning MODERN DANCE CLASS taught by Patricia Mason. Noe Valley Ministry, 1021 Sanchez St. 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. 821-9668

**NOV. 3:** Noe Valley Music presents the ROVA Saxophone Quartet in concert, followed by a video of their trip to Russia. Noe Valley Ministry, 1021 Sanchez St. 8:15 p.m.

**NOV. 4:** NOE VALLEY POETRY presents Leslie Campbell's theater piece, "Dissecting Clouds." Noe Valley Ministry, 1021 Sanchez St. 7:30 p.m.

**NOV. 4–30:** OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS offers once-a-week self-help programs at St. Luke's Hospital, Army & Valencia (Fridays, 8 p.m.); Noe Valley Ministry, 1021 Sanchez St. (Sundays, 8:45 a.m.); Live Oak School, 117 Diamond St. (Mondays, 5:30 p.m., and Saturdays, 9 a.m.), and St. Paul's Church, 221 Valley St. (Saturdays, 5 p.m.). 931-6152

**NOV. 6:** ELECTION DAY.

**NOV. 6,13:** SEMINAR in "Basic Record-keeping and Tax Information for Self-employed People," taught by Jan Zobel. Near Dolores Park. 7 to 9 p.m. 821-1015.

**NOV. 7–DEC. 2:** CERAMICS EXHIBIT by Barbara Holst, Carolyn Leong and local Noe Valley artist Ramon Sanchez. Nanny Goat Hill Gallery, corner of Hyde and Green. Reception Nov. 17, 7 to 10 p.m. 221-5187

**NOV. 7–DEC. 16:** EUREKA THEATRE COMPANY presents "Accidental Death of an Anarchist," adapted by Obie Award-winning playwright Joan Holden of the S.F. Mime Troupe. Theatre Artaud, 450 Florida St. 8 p.m. 558-9898.

**NOV. 8:** "FREELANCE WRITING: The Inside Scoop," with freelancer, critic and teacher Mary Kerner. Alumnae Resources, 965 Mission St., Suite 430. 8:30 p.m. 546-7220

**NOV. 13,14:** FILMS FOR PRESCHOOL CHILDREN: "Red Ball Express," "Harold and the Purple Crayon," "Mole as Painter," "Changes Changes." Mission Branch Library, 3359 24th St. Nov. 13, 10 a.m., Nov. 14, 10 and 11 a.m. 824-2810

**NOV. 14:** BOOK PARTY for *The Big Chill*. Eve Pell's look at how the Reagan administration, corporate America and religious conservatives have affected free speech. Modern Times Bookstore, 968 Valencia St. 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. 282-9246

**NOV. 14–17:** "DEMOCRACY IN AMERICA," a democratically authored, collectively performed commentary on American government. New Performance Gallery, 3153 17th St. 8:30 p.m. 863-9830

**NOV. 16:** "JUNGLE BOOK," directed by Zoltan Korda and Starring Sabu, plus "Papagano" (short), animation from Mozart's Magic Flute. Noe Valley Cinema, 1021 Sanchez St. 7 p.m. 929-0382

**NOV. 16:** "AN EVENING OF DOGS," films and poetry about dogs, with David Meltzer and Jeanne C. Finley. Eye Gallery, 758 Valencia St. 8 p.m. 431-6911

**NOV. 17:** Noe Valley CHILDREN'S DANCE WORKSHOP for preschoolers, taught by Shasha Yovanopoulis. Noe Valley Ministry, 1021 Sanchez St. 1 to 2 p.m. 826-5886

**NOV. 17:** The GRAY PANTHERS demonstrate some special recipes from their new cookbook, *Cheap and Nutritious—and Delicious*. Gibraltar Savings, 4040 24th St. 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. 648-0992

**NOV. 17:** PERFORMANCE WORKSHOP with New York performance artist Tim Miller. New Performance Gallery, 3153 17th St. Noon to 3 p.m. 863-9830

**NOV. 17:** Noe Valley Music presents guitarist BRUCE FORMAN and pianist GEORGE CABLES in concert. Noe Valley Ministry, 1021 Sanchez St. 8:15 p.m.

**NOV. 17:** Beginning Investment WORKSHOP FOR WOMEN. 1 to 4 p.m. Call 587-7210 for details

**NOV. 18:** Naomi Schwartz and Joan Boisclair will give readings of their work at NOE VALLEY POETRY. Noe Valley Ministry, 1021 Sanchez St. 7:30 p.m.

**NOV. 19:** ZOOMOBILE introduces a delegation of reptiles to the Mission Branch Library. 3359 24th St. 824-2810 for group reservations

**NOV. 22:** THANKSGIVING

**NOV. 27:** "Mozambique and Zimbabwe," a SLIDESHOW with Barby and Vic Ulmer, co-directors of Our Developing World, an organization sponsoring study tours to developing countries. Modern Times Bookstore, 968 Valencia St. 7:30 p.m. 282-9246.

**NOV. 28:** JANET ISAACS ASHFORD presents a slideshow depicting the history of birthing practice from ancient to modern times. Modern Times Bookstore, 968 Valencia St. 7:30 p.m. 282-9246

**NOV. 30:** "Brothers," a FILM about George Jackson, black leader of the 1960s prison movement. Benefit for Books for Prisoners Project. Valencia Rose, 766 Valencia St. 8 p.m. 561-9040

**NOV. 30:** "Achieving Employee Excellence," a WORKSHOP for non-profit agencies on how to best select and promote employees. W.O.M.A.N. Inc., 2940 16th St. 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. 626-6220.

**DEC. 1:** Noe Valley Music presents BOBBY McFERRIN, the 1984 Jammies' "Entertainer of the Year," in solo concert. Noe Valley Ministry, 1021 Sanchez St. 8:15 p.m.

**DEC. 1,2:** Sixth annual Winter Women's ARTS AND CRAFTS FAIR, featuring handmade crafts by over 100 women artists. Also music, comedy, theater, puppetry, food and drink. Women's Building, 3543 18th St. Sat., 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., Sun., 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. 431-1180

**ONGOING:** Mission YMCA SENIOR CENTER offers classes for adults in square dancing, dressmaking, and exercise and relaxation. 4080 Mission St. Call 586-6900 for times

**ONGOING:** OPTIONS for Women Over Forty, a resource and support center for midlife women, offers job listings and counseling, English conversational classes, experimental theater, Sunday brunches, and more. Women's Building, 3543 18th St. 431-6405.

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### The Scoop on CALENDAR

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